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POPE APPEALS TO STATESMEN FOR EARLY AND JUST TREATIES

Urges 'Definitive Peace' to End Unrest and Uncertainty in Europe and Allay Danger of New Conflict.

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (AP)—Pope Pius XII declared today, on the eve of the second Christmas since World War I ended, that Europe stood in danger of new conflicts.

Addressing the resident members of the College of Cardinals, whose 95-year-old dean, Gannaro Cardinal Granito Pignatelli di Belmonte, had just presented their Christmas greetings, the Pope called for an early, just and definitive peace.

Otherwise, he said, the "constant agitation" of Europe's peoples, their "disillusionment and discontent" over the wars aftermath, might give rise "to the flames of new conflict."

On Atlantic Charter.

The Pope lamented the fate of the Atlantic Charter in the years since President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill promulgated it.

"All peoples listened," he said. "At last they could breathe.

"And what is now left of that message and of its provisions?"

Answering his own question, he said the four freedoms "appear as a shadow and a counterfeit or a forgery."

In "the gravity of the present hour," the Pope invited the rulers of the world to base their policies on three considerations:

1. "To remove dangerous international tensions" and "end the present intolerable state of uncertainty," he urged "the advent of a definite peace among all states."

2. To the labor of peace, he pleaded, let the rulers apply "the seal of a true justice, of a far-seeing wisdom, of a sincere service to the common interests of the entire human family."

3. Let them finally, he said, establish in their instruments of peace "a procedure clearly determined" for correcting them, so that the "voice of reason and equity" demanding modifications might be heeded.

The Pope said he realized that his words and intentions ran the risk of "being distorted for political propaganda," but that "such erroneous or malicious comments could not seal our lips."

Reference to Atom Bomb.

In one passage which appeared to refer to the atomic bomb, the Pope said:

"The might of new instruments of destruction which modern technique has developed and continues to develop to such an extent that they appear, to the terrified eyes of humanity, infernal creations has brought the problem of disarmament into the center of international discussions, under completely new aspects, and provides an incentive that was never felt before, giving way to hope that that which in past times had been sought for in vain might finally be reached."

Principles needed for peace have

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Fair, Moderate

THE TEMPERATURES.

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Normal maximum this date, 40; normal minimum, 25.
Yesterday's high, 54 at 11:15 a.m.; low, 38 at 11:59 p.m.
Relative humidity, 65 per cent at 6 a.m.

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Fair, with moderate temperatures tonight and tomorrow; lowest temperature tomorrow morning near freezing, and highest in afternoon about 55; fair, with little change in temperature Thursday.

Missouri: Generally fair tonight and tomorrow; slightly warmer tonight in southwest and west central portions, with lowest temperatures from middle 20s in east and extreme north portions, to middle 30s in remainder of state; continued mild temperatures tomorrow.

Illinois: Partly cloudy and a little colder tonight; generally fair tomorrow, with moderate temperatures.

Sunset, 4:44 o'clock; sunrise (tomorrow), 7:17 o'clock.

Stage of the Mississippi at St. Louis, 4.0 feet, a rise of 0.7; the Missouri at St. Charles, 11.7 feet, a fall of 0.6.

(All weather data, including forecast and temperatures, supplied by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

BOB HOPE HAS A GIFT FOR YOU!
Just be tuned to KSD at 9 o'clock tonight, and Bob Hope will fill 30 minutes of your Christmas Eve with holiday merriment. Be listening—550 on your dial. (Adv.)

100-MILLION HARVESTER CO. SUIT; PORTAL PAY ISSUE NOT RAISED IN CONGRESS DEBATE

Background of Litigation: Pay for All Time Inside Gates Not Ordered in Any Decision.

By JOSEPH HANLON
A Washington Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—"Portal-to-portal" is the term generally used in referring to the lawsuits currently being filed by unions in seeking back overtime pay. In none of the court decisions on which these suits are predicated, however, is there a holding that aboveground industrial workers are entitled to pay for every minute from the time they enter the employer's gate until they leave it.

The controlling case, filed by members of a CIO union in a pottery plant at Mt. Clemens, Mich., was decided one way by a special master named by Judge Frank A. Picard of the United States District Court. The special master ruled for the company, but Judge Picard found for the workers. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals then ruled for the company, and last June the United States Supreme Court for the workers.

The facts are that the company permitted, or possibly encouraged, its workers, to report for duty as much as 14 minutes ahead of the scheduled working time at each shift. Some, however, checked in only a minute or two before the scheduled working time started.

In the event the full 14 minutes were utilized, four times a day, at the start and finish of the morning and afternoon shifts, an employe might have worked for as much as 56 minutes a day more than the time shown on his time card. This was because the company began crediting time at the quarter hour after checking in and the quarter hour preceding checking out.

Special Master's Finding.

The district court's special master found that employes had not been required to work 56 minutes a day more than they were paid for; that they had not sustained the burden of proof he said rested on them to show that they were "working" all the time they were in the plant; that time spent in walking from time clocks to work stations was not compensable, and that the preliminary duties in which they engaged before starting productive work was not compensable, in view of the established custom of the industry.

Judge Picard, however, rejecting the master's findings, held that even though the evidence did not show the full 14 minutes before starting and closing times was "worked" it did show that some of it was. He, therefore, entered a judgment for the employes, but devised a seemingly arbitrary formula for computing it.

Employes, he held, ought not be paid for five minutes which, on the average, they spent waiting in line to punch time cards, or for two minutes, on the average, it took them to walk to their work stations. No claim had been made for time spent waiting to punch the clock. Accordingly, his order was that all time over seven minutes before the scheduled start of work was to be paid, at overtime rates, and at the start of the after-lunch shift, all time over five minutes.

In the Court of Appeals, Judge Picard was reversed on the ground that there was abundant substantial evidence to support the finding of his special master. The appellate court cited a rule of law that the district court was obliged to accept the master's findings unless they were "clearly erroneous."

Supreme Court's Decision.

The case took on still a different twist when the Supreme Court handed down its 6-to-2 decision in favor of the workers last June 10. But the Supreme Court rejected Judge Picard's formula for calculation of the overtime, and remanded the case to him for a new determination of just how much portal-to-portal pay the employes should get.

The Supreme Court held that the workers had, by reasonable inference, shown that they had worked time for which they had not been compensated, and that for this reason the burden of proof as to how much time they had so spent was transferred to the employer as the custodian of the records. The high court held that the workers should be paid

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Union Files Action at Chicago on Behalf of 35,000 Workers in Plants Throughout U. S.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (UP)—Suit for $100,000,000 portal-to-portal pay was filed in United States District Court today against the International Harvester Co.

The suit asked for $50,000,000 accumulated overtime over an 8-year period and $50,000,000 liquidated damages. It was filed by attorneys David Rothstein and Ben Meyers in behalf of three officers of the CIO United Farm Equipment and Metal Workers Union.

Claims presented were described as those of 35,000 Harvester employes in plants throughout the nation. Included are plants in Auburn, N.Y.; Louisville, Ky.; Evansville, Ind.; Richmond, Ind.; Canton, Chicago, East Moline, Rock Falls and Rock Island, all in Illinois; and Bettendorf, Ia.

Petitioners were Gerald Fielde, international secretary-treasurer; Earl Gibbons, president of local 141, and William Biscontine, officer of local 109.

The suit brought to $639,000,000 the amount sought by unions in suits already on file in Federal courts across the country. Suits totaling several hundred million dollars more were being prepared by several CIO unions for filing this week.

Another portal-to-portal suit was filed yesterday in United States District Court in Springfield, Ill., by Local 810 of the CIO International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers against the American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp. of Litchfield.

The suit asked for $2,000,000 it alleged was due 455 employes for overtime compensation from Dec. 23, 1941, to Dec. 23, 1946. It sought an equal amount in damages. The petition said employes were required to arrive 30 minutes before scheduled starting time and remain 30 minutes after scheduled quitting time to change clothes.

In Cincinnati suits asking for $4,500,000 were filed today in United States District Court by three locals of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers' Union. The suits ask for $2,000,000 for 2200 employes of the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Norwood; $1,900,000 for 1200 employes of the Formica Insulation Co., and $600,000 for 275 employes of the J. H. Day Co.

In Houston, Tex., 900 members of the CIO United Steel Workers filed suit today in United States District Court against the Sheffied Steel Co. for more than $1,000,000. Other suits against the company for $7,000,000 are planned.

HOURS UNDEFINED, NOW CRUX OF CASE

By a Washington Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—No evidence is available to suggest that Congress, when it passed the Fair Labor Standards Act in 1938, gave any consideration to the problem that now has precipitated a flood of portal-to-portal wage claims.

A reading of the conference reports in both Senate and House, and of the debate which preceded passage of the so-called wage-hour law, indicates no member of Congress expected that there would now be pending, eight years after enactment, a deluge of claims for overtime based on preliminary activities before the start of the actual productive job.

On the other hand, a persuasive argument for the theory that portal-to-portal pay was at least implicitly contemplated in the bill, although its significance was not stressed, is found in the circumstance that Associate Justice Hugo Black, was among the majority of the Supreme Court in the 6-to-2 decision last June which sustained the portal-to-portal pay method. Justice Black, then a Senator, was in charge of the bill in the Senate in 1937 when he was chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor and presented the first report recommending passage.

Senator Elbert D. Thomas (Dem.), Utah, who was chairman of the Senate Education and Labor Committee when the bill was passed, told the writer today that so far as he could recall neither in the hearings nor in the debate

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Lawyers in Portal Pay Suits Here To Pick Fat Fee Plum if They Win

Several St. Louis lawyers are expected to receive large fees, in most cases up to 20 per cent of the total judgment, if the portal-to-portal pay suits they have filed on behalf of union members are successful.

More than $83,000,000 has been claimed in portal pay suits now pending against manufacturing concerns in the St. Louis district.

Morris J. Levin, who represents the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America in a $2,008,000 suit against the United States Cartridge Co., said the actual amount of the lawyers' fees in the cases would be determined by the courts.

Litigation in the cases may last several years, Levin said, pointing out that each claim must be evaluated separately and the amount of back pay due each worker computed individually. He said he will receive an amount not to exceed 20 per cent of the judgment if the electrical workers' suit is successful.

The law firm of McKittrick, Harris & Schuchat, which represents workers in two suits seeking a total of $7,316,000, would receive a maximum fee of 20 per cent in some cases and 25 per cent in others.

"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!"
All the employees of Mavrakos Candy Company wish you and yours A Very Merry Christmas. (Adv.)

FESTIVAL MOOD IN SHOPS, HOMES AS CITY PREPARES TO GREET SANTA

Spirit of Season Animates Buying Rush and Traveling — Churches Being Decorated for Services.

There was a lilt in the air downtown today as St. Louisans made last-minute preparations for the celebration of Christmas. Churches were being decorated for traditional Christmas eve and Christmas day services, and welfare agencies were preparing Christmas parties for St. Louisans without homes or families.

The shrill tone of the corner policeman's whistle, slightly less demanding than usual, mingled pleasantly with the pleading sound of the Salvation Army workers' bells. Shoppers burdened with bulky packages, wreaths and Christmas trees paused to wish friends a merry Christmas, and to watch the antics of animated figures in store windows.

Union Station, as it has been for several days, was crowded with persons coming and going home for the holidays. For many former service men, tomorrow will be their first Christmas at home for several years.

Some Soldiers Overseas.

Some sons, husbands and brothers, however, are still in Army hospitals or at overseas stations where Christmas won't be as festive as in St. Louis.

The weather man forecast fair skies and moderate temperatures, with an afternoon high of about 52 degrees. This is only the fourth winter in the last 25 years that has gone thus far without a measurable amount of snow.

While department store Santa Clauses are putting their red suits in moth balls for another year, children will go to bed tonight with dreams of "St. Nick" coming down their chimneys to festoon their houses with gaily-wrapped gifts and glittering Christmas trees.

Older St. Louisans will spend Christmas eve singing and listening to Yule carols, and hearing again the story of the birth of Christ in Bethlehem.

More than 40,000 itinerant carolers sponsored by the Christmas Carols Association will visit St. Louis and St. Louis county homes this evening. Those who want the carolers to stop at their homes are requested to put an electric light or an unlighted candle in the window. Contributions to the carolers will be used for child welfare work.

Number of Church Services.

A number of Christmas eve services will be held at St. Louis churches tonight. Midnight services will be held at the St. Louis Cathedral, 4401 Lindell boulevard, and at Christ Church Cathedral, Thirteenth and Locust streets.

A solemn high mass will be celebrated at the Old Cathedral,

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TRUMAN WILL FLY HOME CHRISTMAS TO SEE MOTHER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—President Truman, after delivering a Christmas greeting to the nation today, will fly home to Missouri tomorrow to wish his mother a merry Christmas in person.

Rounding out a series of Yuletide ceremonies at the White House, the chief executive planned to speak to the country over the major networks late today. His five-minute talk was to be part of a tree lighting program on the south lawn of the White House.

The President will take off from National Airport about 7:30 a.m. tomorrow for Kansas City, to spend Christmas with his mother, 94-year-old Mrs. Martha E. Truman of Grandview, Mo., and other members of the family.

Mrs. Truman and Margaret Truman already are at the "little white house" at Independence, Mo.

The President's tentative schedule calls for turkey dinners with his mother, his wife's family and with an elderly aunt in Independence.

Truman will fly back to Washington Thursday afternoon. He will be accompanied by his military aide, Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan who will drive from Kansas City to Glascow, Mo., to visit his own mother.

4 EVICTED FROM HOME UNDER LOS ANGELES CITY HALL STEPS

Men Had Been Sleeping on Gunny Sacks and Drinking Liquor There for Months.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24 (AP)—Four men were evicted from their quarters beneath the city hall steps yesterday, the city health officer reported.

They had been occupying the quarters for months, cooking over an alcohol stove, sleeping on gunny sacks, and judging by the large number of empty bottles, drinking much wine and whisky.

The board of public works will be asked to seal the opening to their dwelling.

STATE NOTIFIED IT MUST MEET U.S. PAY MARK OR LOSE BENEFITS

But Labor Secretary Writes Conciliatory Letter to Governor — They May Meet to Adjust Differences.

By A Washington Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 — The Federal Security Agency today served notice that the State of Missouri must comply with federal requirements concerning employment standards in the Missouri Employment Service or Missouri would be cut out of important benefits in connection with the administration of unemployment compensation.

These benefits include about $1,000,000 a year for administration of the Unemployment Compensation Service in Missouri and forgiveness of a three per cent federal payroll tax on Missouri employers, because of the operation of the unemployment compensation system.

A hearing to determine the status of unemployment compensation in Missouri has been ordered for Monday at Washington.

Status of the unemployment system was brought into question as a result of the controversy between Gov. Phil M. Donnelly and the Department of Labor. When the employment service was taken over by the state of Missouri from the Federal Government last month employes were downgraded and their salaries cut.

Gov. Donnelly contended the Department of Labor had no right to "dictate" the conditions of employment within the Employment Service. The Department of Labor, contending that downgrading of employes and salary cuts were in violation of the law transferring the service to the state cut off federal funds totaling about $2,000,000 a year.

Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach has written a conciliatory letter to Gov. Donnelly on this question, it was learned today. From other sources it was learned that the Secretary of Labor and the Missouri governor may meet soon to attempt to iron out their differences.

Meanwhile, however, Altmeyer of the Federal Security Agency announced that unemployment compensation must be administered through "public employment offices." Altmeyer sent a telegram to Gov. Donnelly declaring the Governor had not yet furnished "assurance of the continuing operation of the Missouri State Employment Service."

Therefore, he said, the hearing was ordered. The hearing is to determine the future of federal support for administration of unemployment compensation in Missouri and also the status of federal taxes on Missouri employers.

If, as a result of the hearing, it is found that the Missouri unemployment compensation is not being operated in accord with federal law, Altmeyer said "employers within the state who are covered by the federal unemployment act would be liable for the full 3 per cent federal tax (for 1946) regardless of taxes they have paid to the state under the state unemployment compensation law."

39 MOVIES CLOSED TONIGHT TO LET STAFFS BE AT HOME

At least 39 neighborhood motion picture theaters in St. Louis will be closed tonight in order to give their employes an opportunity to enjoy Christmas eve at home.

A spokesman for the Wehrenberg-Kaimann Circuit, which operates 22 theaters, said the one-night holiday was suggested at a recent meeting of the Motion Picture Theater Owners of St. Louis, Eastern Missouri and Southern Illinois, but each operator was to determine for himself whether he would follow it.

Each of the theaters closing tonight will be open tomorrow and for the rest of the Christmas season.

AIR LINER HITS MOUNTAIN IN BRAZIL; 20 ARE KILLED

Argentine Transport Was On Way From London to Buenos Aires.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Rio de Janeiro fire department announced today that 20 persons were killed and one injured when an air transport of the Argentine Fama line, en route from London to Buenos Aires, crashed yesterday near this city.

Mists were blamed for the crash of the plane against the Pico do Papagaio (Parrot's Peak) about 30 miles from Rio de Janeiro.

HALIFAX, Dec. 24 (AP)—A Royal Canadian Air Force spokesman said that nine occupants of a missing Quebec Airways plane were sighted alive this afternoon on floating ice in the St. Lawrence river off Cap Chat. The plane disappeared yesterday.

800,000 LITTLE NAZIS FREE UNDER AMNESTY ORDER ISSUED IN AMERICAN ZONE

FOURTH REPUBLIC FORMALLY BORN AS UPPER HOUSE MEETS IN FRANCE

New Government Launched at Time of Financial Crisis at Home and Revolt in Colonial Empire.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (AP)—France's Fourth Republic officially came into being this afternoon. The upper house of parliament held its first session and constitutional government was restored after six years of war, conquest by the Nazis, and liberation.

However, restitution of government subject to popular control found the nation in a perilous financial state, and the entire structure of the colonial empire was threatened by the Viet-Nam bid for complete independence in Indochina.

The historic moment when the upper house, called the Council of the Republic in the new constitution instead of the Senate of prewar France, convened was 3:11 p.m. From that moment the new constitution, approved by the people in October, became effective.

Auriol Wants Presidency.

Socialist Vincent Auriol, 62 years old, president (speaker) of the National Assembly, or lower parliamentary house, announced he was a candidate to become the Fourth Republic's first president. He was the first to state his candidacy officially.

The president, who will nominate a premier to form a cabinet to replace the interim Socialist government of President-Premier Leon Blum, will be chosen Jan. 16 by the Council and Assembly in joint session.

The council met today for only 25 minutes, adjourning until Dec. 27 when officers will be elected. Jules Gasser, 81, Radical-Socialist, presided over the opening session, held in the Luxembourg palace, scene of last summer's peace conference.

The National Assembly is meeting in almost continuous session, to finish voting a temporary budget by midnight, a budget involving heavy economies aimed at saving the nation from further inflation and economic ruin.

Indochina Fighting.

In Indochina, severe fighting was raging between French troops and Viet-Nam native forces.

Plane and tank-supported French troops fought through the main streets of Hanoi, attacking the city hall and postoffice in the native quarter of the city.

The French announced capture of a bridge near Haiduong, half way between Hanoi and the port of Haiphong, 60 miles to the east. Sharp fighting was reported at Haiphong.

A French armored column from Langson, 80 miles north of Hanoi, was reported to have fought its way eastward to Dinh Lap, half way between, to the coast.

Coal Mines Sabotaged.

Stiff fighting was reported at Nam Dinh, 60 miles south of Hanoi, French sources said the Viet-Namese had sabotaged coal mines at Camcha, north of Haiphong and near Hongay harbor.

(A dispatch from Bangkok, Siam, said the Viet-Nam radio was heard to announce that 2000 French soldiers had surrendered at Namdinh and Bacninh and that several French fighter planes had been shot down.)

President Ho Heard From.

Meanwhile, a delayed dispatch from Saigon gave the first word of Viet-Nam President Ho Chi Minh, whose government fled Hanoi after the initial outbreak of hostilities on Thursday.

The dispatch quoted Ho as saying yesterday at Bachninh, 15 miles northeast of Hanoi, that the Viet-Namese, preferring death to slavery, would fight a long and bloody struggle for freedom and that "20,000,000 Viet-Namese would ultimately vanquish 100,000 reactionaries."

He accused the French of provoking war by arresting and terrorizing the people of both north-

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Freed by Army

—Associated Press Wirephoto.
MILDRED GILLARS

BERLIN 'AXIS SALLY' AND DONALD DAY RELEASED BY ARMY

Herbert Burgman, Another American Who Broadcast for Germans, Also Freed.

FRANKFURT, Dec. 24 (AP)—Mildred Gillars, American musician who became known as "Axis Sally" through her wartime radio broadcasts from Germany, has been released from a United States Army prison, Army officials disclosed today.

Freed with Miss Gillars, a 37-year-old former resident of Portland, Me., were two other Americans who also broadcast over the German radio during the war. Army officers identified one as Minnesota-born Herbert Burgman, former United States Embassy clerk in Berlin. The other was Donald Day, former Chicago Tribune correspondent.

All three were released on instructions from the United States Department of Justice at whose request they had been held by the Army, headquarters officials said.

No charges are pending against the three. It is a question for the Department of Justice as to whether they will be prosecuted, a spokesman for the Army intelligence branch said. Army officials said they did not know whether Day, Burgman and Miss Gillars would be permitted to return to the United States. Day, 51, said he hoped to return.

Miss Gillars, arrested in Berlin in March by a counterintelligence corps agent, was said by military government officials to have won the name of "Axis Sally" from her Berlin broadcasts to United States troops in North Africa and later in Europe.

AUSTRALIAN GIRL WITH NAIL IN LUNG BEING FLOWN TO U.S.

Reaches Honolulu on Way to Philadelphia for Removal; Will Take Train From California.

HONOLULU, Dec. 24 (AP)—Shirley Skinner, 15-year-old Australian girl en route to Philadelphia for removal of a nail from her lung, rested in Honolulu today before starting the final lap of her flight.

Physicians said air travel was tiring Shirley and she would go by train from Oakland, Calif., to Philadelphia. She is accompanied by her mother, Mrs. M. E. Skinner.

"I was a bit frightened by the plane trip, but I am looking forward to America," Shirley said. She is particularly anxious to meet her pen pal, Lois Laudon of Walton, N.Y., with whom she has been corresponding three years.

CLIPPER FULL OF G.I. BRIDES AND BABIES ON WAY TO U.S.

2 British Girls Also Flying to New York for Marriage and Christmas Celebration.

LONDON, Dec. 24 (AP)—A Pan-American Airways clipper loaded with G.I. brides and their children made a second start for New York early today, its crew confident that this time they would push through and that the passengers would be in Manhattan in time to celebrate Christmas.

The ship, carrying 22 wives, 25 babies, two British girls bound for America to be married, was forced by ocean storms last night to turn back over Ireland and return to London.

The passengers were sent to hotels for the night.

M'NARNEY GIVES NEWS TO GERMANS IN SPEECH BEFORE FRANKFURT CROWD

Action, Marking a Major Change in U.S. Policy, Reduces to About 2,000,000 Number Liable to Prosecution.

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 24 (AP)—About 800,000 "little Nazis" in the American zone of occupation were granted amnesty today by proclamation of Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, United States commander in Europe.

By the amnesty the number of Germans in the American zone liable to prosecution under de-Nazification laws is reduced from about 3,000,000 to about 2,000,000.

O. W. Wilson, chief of public safety in the American Military Government, estimated the amnesty and a speedup in German court hearings would allow the de-Nazification program in the United States zone to be completed in another 18 months.

"At the present rate, it would have taken six years to get through the backlog of 3,000,000 cases," said Wilson, formerly a police executive of Berkeley, Calif.

He said 40,000 German civilians were interned in the American zone, awaiting de-Nazification trials. More than 400 German tribunals are now hearing cases.

McNarney delivered his message before a crowd of 3000 Germans in historic Roemberg square. He spoke in English and his words were translated into German. The Germans listened intently to the first speech delivered to them directly by the theater commander since the end of the war and applauded him both at the beginning and the conclusion of his address.

Persons Affected by Amnesty.

The amnesty, the announcement said, will apply to all persons who are not chargeable under the "law of liberation from National Socialism and militarism" as major offenders, or offenders whose yearly income during the calendar years 1943 and 1945 was less than 3000 marks and whose taxable property in 1945 did not exceed 20,000 marks. Others exempted from prosecution are persons not major offenders, who are more than 50 per cent disabled.

The announcement, while coming almost on Christmas eve, was not regarded so much as a holiday present, but as a major change in American policy. It appeared aimed at breaking the log-jam of multitudinous cases in de-Nazification courts so that full attention could be directed to bringing major offenders to justice more quickly.

About 11,000,000 Germans have been required to fill out de-Nazification questionnaires and about 3,000,000 of that number have been found chargeable under the law.

"I am sure that this amnesty will permit German administration to proceed more vigorously to seek out and punish the active Nazis who brought destruction on their country and at the same time will encourage those who come under its terms to seek the ways of democracy," McNarney said.

McNarney Reports Progress.

So far as was known, the United States was alone in adopting the amnesty procedure. None of the other three occupying powers had announced intentions of any similar action up to the time McNarney spoke.

Reviewing the last few months, McNarney said German de-Nazification had not been "altogether

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No Publication Tomorrow

The Post-Dispatch will not publish tomorrow, Christmas Day.

KSD NEWS BROADCASTS

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, Dec. 25

5:30 a. m.	6:00 p.m.
6:00 a.m.	6:15 p.m.
7:00 a.m.	6:45 p.m.
7:45 a.m.	10:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.	10:30 p. m.
11:00 a.m.	11:00 p.m.
12:00 noon	11:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m.	12:00 midnight
5:30 p.m.	12:30 a.m.

In addition to these regularly scheduled news broadcasts, KSD will interrupt any program to present news of special importance or unusual interest.

U. S. ENVOY BACK FROM ARGENTINA REPORTED TO SEEK POLICY SHOWDOWN

Messersmith to Confer With Byrnes, Expected to Demand Easing of Braden's 'Tough' Attitude Toward Peron.

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—George S. Messersmith, American Ambassador to Argentina, returned here yesterday with "absolutely nothing to say" on reports that he is seeking a showdown with Secretary of State James F. Byrnes on policy toward President Juan Perón's government.

Messersmith, who went to Argentina as a diplomatic troubleshooter eight months ago, said he would come back to Washington from Wilmington, Del., where he will spend Christmas with relatives. He said he expects to return t hois South American post in about two weeks, after conferring with Byrnes.

On his arrival by plane from Miami, Messersmith was met by Dr. Oscar Ivanissevich, Argentine Ambassador to Washington, who issued a formal statement praising him as a "truly great representative of the United States . . . who has won the respect and admiration of the Argentine people."

"Great Democratic Process."

The statement said Messersmith had witnessed "the great and growing democratic process that is going on at present in Argentina" and declared that "Americans and Argentineans alike know that no personal or subordinate interest will ever succeed in separating our common destiny."

The comment on "personal" interest was interpreted as referring to the wide schism between Messersmith and Assistant Secretary of State Spruille Braden in their views on American policy toward Argentina.

Byrnes, who has sought several times to sidestep the showdown which Messersmith is reported determined to have, left today for a week's Christmas holiday at Aiken, S. C. When he and Messersmith would meet was uncertain.

There was no question among diplomats, however, as to Messersmith's purpose in virtually forcing a meeting. He has split off completely from Braden's continued "tough" policy toward the Peron government and is prepared to demand extensive revision. Braden is equally set against any change and Byrnes has stated both publicly and privately that he is backing Braden to the limit.

Diplomatic authorities expect that in this situation if Messersmith demands that Byrnes take action counter to Braden's wishes, Byrnes will reject Messersmith's demands. In that event, there will be little left for the long-term career diplomat except to request a transfer to some other post, seek retirement because of ill health, which he has, or accept an embarrassing defeat in a campaign he has waged for many months.

Envoy's Reported Views.

When Messersmith went to Buenos Aires Peron had already been legally elected President over the indirect but strong opposition of Braden. Messersmith's job, according to diplomatic informants, was to maintain the firm line laid down by Braden with respect to Peron's ridding Argentina of Nazis and Nazi influences, and also to try to straighten out relations, if possible.

While Braden, who preceded Messersmith as ambassador at Buenos Aires, maintained an even tighter basic policy toward Peron, Messersmith reportedly became convinced:

(1) That Peron was sincerely anxious to get along with the United States.

(2) That there was an excellent market for American products in Argentina if the way could be cleared for the two countries to do business on a large scale.

Meanwhile, Peron sent Gen. Carlos von der Becke, a trusted aide, as a special emissary to Washington to try to arrange for military collaboration by Argentina with the United States. Braden in effect ruled that political obstacles must be cleared away first and Von der Becke's mission was a failure.

Argentine Police Hunt 35 Axis Agents Who Evaded Deportation.

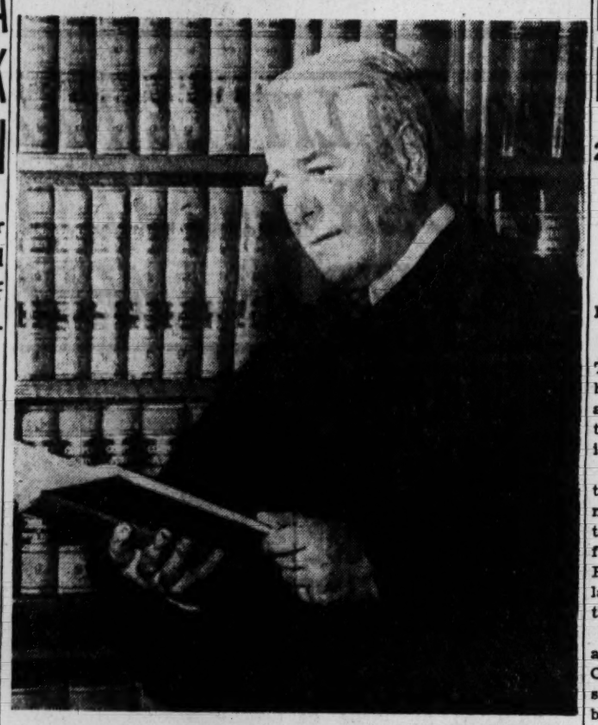
BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 24 (AP)—Federal police hunted through sparsely settled regions of Argentina all the way to Tierra Del Fuego today in search of 35 accused Axis agents who evaded deportation to Germany as ordered Nov. 15.

Foreign Minister Juan Bramuglia disclosed last night that only 17 of the 52 Axis agents whose deportation was ordered in conformance with the Act of Chapultepec and United Nations pronouncements actually had been captured.

Thirteen of these were shipped out secretly last Saturday aboard the transport Pampa, en route to Hamburg. Four others evaded immediate expulsion by appealing to the courts.

Bramuglia, said by some political circles to have timed his announcement to coincide with the arrival in Washington of United States Ambassador George S. Messersmith, declared the deportations were evidence that Argentina was fulfilling international obligations. He announced at the same time that Axis property and all business concerns which have been under control of the enemy property board would either be "liquidated, nationalized or reformed as private concerns with Argentine owners."

Judge in Portal Pay Case Says: 'Don't Criticize Labor for Claims'



—Associated Press Wirephoto.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FRANK A. PICARD

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (AP)—The United States District Judge in Michigan whose decision led to organized labor's huge portal-to-portal pay claims said today "no one should criticize labor" for its attitude.

Judge Frank A. Picard issued a statement expressing his views. He said he believed "no one should criticize labor or its leaders for seeking to protect the interests of their men."

"If it develops later," he said, "that these suits are not justified, either in whole or in part, and many of them may not be, I'm sure they'll be withdrawn..

"If they are justified, well, those same labor leaders would have been severely criticized if they had not acted to protect their men."

Judge Picard re-emphasized a previous assertion that the Mount Clemens (Mich.) Pottery Co. case, in which his ruling was upheld by the Supreme Court, related only to overtime.

He said there "certainly" was nothing in the case to "justify" a claim that an employe's compensable time began at the moment he entered company property. . . . And that's what some of these lawsuits are about," Picard said.

The CIO Auto Workers yesterday sued the Briggs Manufacturing Co. for $18,000,000 and General Motors for $2,000,000, the latter on behalf of 12,000 workers in the Chevrolet plant in Flint. At the same time the UAW prepared a complaint against the Ford Motor Co., planning to go into court today with a claim previously estimated in union quarters at $270,000,000.

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was the question of whether "hours of work" might include portal-to-portal time considered.

"The problem wasn't facing us at that time," Thomas said. "There had been agitation for portal-to-portal pay for miners, but no one had asked it for surface workers."

In the House of Representatives responsibility for handling the bill was shared jointly by Representative William Connery (Dem.), Massachusetts, and Mrs. Mary Norton (Dem.), New Jersey.

Any inquiry addressed to Justice Black as to what the authors thought about portal-to-portal pay back in 1937 and 1938 would be manifestly improper because of his present position on the court. Connery died while the bill was in the legislative mill. In this Christmas week when few members of Congress remain in Washington, Mrs. Norton is inaccessible.

Theme of Debate.

The whole tenor of debate in both Senate and House indicated, however, that proponents of the bill thought they were putting a floor under wages (40 cents an hour) and a ceiling on hours of work which could be performed without overtime compensation (40 hours a week). In addition, the bill outlawed child labor in interstate commerce.

The bill contains a lot of definitions, but it does not define hours of work—the crux of the whole matter now.

It defines what it means by "persons," "commerce," "state," "employers" and "employes," "agriculture" and other terms. The legislative debates did nothing to clarify the question of what should be construed as "hours of work."

The Supreme Court majority thought that term meant any period when the employe was required to be on the employer's premises, subject to his control, and doing things which may not have been productive work, but were necessary preliminaries to its performance.

The court minority—Associate Justices Burton and Frankfurter—thought otherwise. They reasoned that Congress meant from "whistle to whistle" when it spoke of working time, and that whatever time was required to walk from the plant gate to the employe's working station, whatever time he spent in preliminary activities necessary to productive work, had already been taken into consideration when his wage rate was fixed.

The record of congressional debate makes it clear that Congress thought what it was doing was correcting substandard conditions of wages and hours. Repeatedly there are reference to "exploited" and "underprivileged workers," whom the bill was to assist, by prohibiting sweat shop conditions.

How It Worked Out.

As it has worked out, however, the suits now being filed are chiefly by relatively highly paid industrial workers in war plants, many of which were so arranged that the employes did have to spend five, 10, 15 minutes or more, walking from plant gates to their working stations and some time in preliminary activities at their machines before they could begin productive work.

The claims filed or to be filed will total billions of dollars. An estimate by the United States Chamber of Commrece puts the figure at six billions. One company, Dow Chemical Co. of Michigan, has already reached an out-of-court settlement which gave its 5000 employes $4,600,000—an average of more than $800 each, for claims dating back to 1940.

The federal law establishes no statute of limitations. It says that an employe who was not paid overtime due him can collect it, plus as much again as liquidated damages. In the absence of a federal statute of limitations, the controlling statute is the appropriate state law, and many states will permit suits on claims dating back to enactment of the law in 1938. The Missouri Legislature has limited the period for which such claims can be made to two years.

A point which has been raised by a labor relations lawyer for big industry is whether, if the Supreme Court decision stands, the added payments should be computed at the overtime rate for skilled workers, or whether a lesser rate, on the ground that in walking and arranging his tools and equipment he is not employing the maximum skill on which his wage rate was based. This is a question likely to be litigated, but all claims so far have been based on the contention that there is only one wage rate for any one worker—he should get that whether he was walking for his employer, or doing a highly skilled operation.

Legislation Sought.

A more direct frontal attack on the situation is planned. There will be bills introduced next month to enact a federal statute of limitations, and to create as an adequate defense for any employer a showing that he has in good faith carried out any regulation or order of the wage-hour administrator.

The latter was left out of the bill, as the congressional debate shows, because members of Congress were at the time incensed at the broad administrative authority given to the National Labor Relations Board and thought that board had abused it. So they gave little administrative authority to the wage-hour administrator and the unexpected result was that employers were strictly on their own in determining what they thought were "hours of work." It cannot be doubted in this situation that big employers got some high-priced legal advice on interpretation of the bill, but at the moment it seems to have been bad advice.

A more direct attack than clarification of the wage-hour law by Congress is in prospect.

In became known yesterday that an important segment of the National Association of Manufacturers will seek outright repeal of the law, along with repeal of the Wagner Act, guaranteeing employes the right to organize and bargain collectively, and the Norris-LaGuardia Act, which prohibits courts to issue injunctions in labor disputes.

This N.A.M. group is in a minority, but it includes representatives of the big steel and automobile industries, which have been the chief sufferers from portal-to-portal pay suits.

Although the majority of the N.A.M. committee on industrial relations submitted at its recent meeting a report which has been characterized as relatively "liberal," the minority drafted a much harsher program.

The minority's report on the wage-hour act, referring to the recent portal-to-portal pay claims, said they opened new possibilities for obtaining "more pay for less work."

"The act," they went on, "has had the practical result of compelling employers to pay huge sums of accumulated back pay and penalties for activities of employes which neither the employer nor the employe contemplated as working time and for which the employe had never before even suggested that he be paid."

NEW PHILADELPHIA LABOR PEACE PLAN READY FOR TEST

25-Man Group to Try Power of Persuasion to Bolster Efforts of U.S. Conciliators.

By a Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24—Twenty-four men sitting at two tables, and a twenty-fifth sitting at a desk between them, are the nation's newest tool for the smoothing of industrial discord.

They compose the first of a new type of labor-management-government conference which will function in an area embracing parts of four states, centering around Philadelphia, to seek a solution to labor disputes before they reach the strike stage.

The new assembly will function as an adjunct of the United States Conciliation Service, which designed it, and the Philadelphia branch supervisor of the service, Peter J. Manno, will serve as the twenty-fifth man, the chairman of the assembly.

The other members include 10 prominent industrial executives, most of them personnel officials; 10 labor leaders, five from the AFL and five from the CIO; and two attorneys from management and two from labor.

Conciliation Service officials say that the Philadelphia assembly will serve as the test of a new idea for using "the power of persuasion" to bolster the efforts of the conciliators. If the idea proves successful, it is planned to establish similar area assemblies in key cities throughout the nation.

Warren Outlines Procedure.

Director Edgar L. Warren outlined the hopes of the Conciliation Service in establishing the new agency at its organization meeting yesterday. He cautioned them:

"Whatever you do, remember that your only power is the power of persuasion. That is the only power the Government can use at the bargaining table if we are to maintain our policy of free collective bargaining."

The assembly, Warren said, will not sit in judgment on the merits of cases, but may refer them to a peace panel, a sub-committee composed of equal numbers of labor and management representatives, to hear the reports of the conciliator and the arguments of both union and employer.

The peace panel may then attempt to mediate but will make no public findings or recommendations. In disputes vital to public safety, especially utility cases, the panel may recommend that the parties consent to present their arguments to an emergency board of inquiry which would make recommendations on the evidence.

Otherwise, the panel might refer the dispute to a special conciliator regarded as especially qualified, or recommend that the parties agree to voluntary arbitration.

Credit to Similar Plans.

Warren pointed out that the assembly owes something to the experiments of a similar local group established in Philadelphia in 1938 by the old National Labor Board and the so-called "Toledo Plan" and a similar project in Louisville.

The new assembly, however, differs from the Toledo Plan, which is municipally sponsored, in being directly associated with the work of the Conciliation Service, and in embracing an integrated industrial area centering around Philadelphia in eastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, Delaware, and most of Maryland.

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for walking to work from the time clocks, and for their preliminary activities, regardless of customs or contracts in the industry.

The rule laid down by the Supreme Court was that when the employer controls the time of the employe, and when the employe uses that time for activities which benefit the employer, he is working and should get paid for it.

Ohio Plant Distributing $400,000 Without Waiting for Suit.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24 (AP)—Suits for portal-to-portal back pay and damages in Northern Ohio United States District Court mounted today to nearly a quarter of a billion dollars as one Ohio plant began distributing $400,000 without waiting for a court decision in a similar suit.

At Barberton, near Akron, the Columbia chemical division of Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. started paying retroactive amounts for travel time on company property. Plant Superintendent Robert L. Hutchinson said 1400 production workers would receive varying sums.

The $400,000 was a negotiated amount, said spokesmen for the company and a local of the United Mine Workers District 50 (AFL). The union began suit in October 1945 for unspecified amounts.

TAFT, TWO OTHER SENATORS OPPOSE CIO PAY DEMANDS

New Labor Committee Head Calls Union Survey 'Misleading' — Urges Drop in Prices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (UP)—Three prominent Republican Senators, headed by Robert A. Taft of Ohio, today were on record in opposition to CIO demands for higher wages.

Taft, who will head the Senate Labor Committee, told reporters that a recent CIO-sponsored wage study was "completely misleading" in asserting that corporate business can support a 25 per cent increase in wages without an accompanying price boost.

He was joined by Senators Joseph H. Ball, Minnesota, and H. Alexander Smith, New Jersey. The three are among a group of G.O.P. Senators attempting to hammer out labor legislation for the new Congress.

Taft said that excessive business profits, if any, should be leveled off by increased business competition and resultant lower prices to consumers.

"It would be better for the country as a whole to lower prices, not boost wages," Taft said.

Smith and Ball joined Taft's criticism of the wage study prepared for the CIO by Robert R. Nathan, former Government economist. Nathan found that a "further substantial wage increase is possible, justifiable and essential," without increasing consumer prices.

Ball said the report apparently ignored the fact that "automobile companies operated at a loss for the first nine months of the year."

The three Senators spent nearly three hours examining various suggestions for curbing the strike threat, but reported themselves as yet unready to recommend a legislative stand for Republicans.

Some of the measures under consideration include proposals to bar the closed shop, limit industry-wide bargaining, bar secondary boycotts and make unions financially accountable.

Taft said the Senate probably would be unable to act on labor legislation before April. However, Ball felt that even consideration of new curbs might put the damper on strikes to support the "second round" of wage demands.

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"made real progress during the past year in not a few minds," he said.

Human nature has given proof of unbelievable strength of resistence during the war years, he stated, but this strength is limited.

"For millions of human beings the limit has been reached. The spring already has been stretched too far. Almost anything would be sufficient to break it, and the breaking of it could have irreparable consequences.

"Humanity wants to be able to hope once again."

The constant world agitation, he warned, could in the "more or less near" future "give way to the flames of new conflicts."

Speaking of the antagonism that the church confronts today, the Pope said "no Christian has the right to abstain from the fight against the enemies of Christ."

No one, he said, must rest "with folded arms, with head bowed and with knees weak."

The church, the Pope said, did not fear, and today, as yesterday, remained solid against trials.

The Pope again directed his attention to the needs of war-ravaged countries, referring to his appeal of last spring.

"Much," he said, "has been done" for children and the aged, and much help given has "saved the honor of humanity."

"But," he said, "it was not enough—and we are compelled to renew our appeal of last spring.

"Bread—in the literal sense of the word—is lacking for whole populations."

This danger of need, he said, has darkened the threshold of the new year.

Editor Sentenced to Prison for Attacks on Catholicism.

ROME, Dec. 24 (UP)—Ruggero Maccari, 27 years old, editor of Italy's two leading anti-clerical weekly newspapers, Don Basilio and Il Pollo, was sentenced to two years in prison yesterday by a Rome penal court that found him guilty of insulting the state religion.

Maccari was absolved on charges of publishing indecent and obscene material. The Newspaper Vendors' Association of Rome, on trial on the same charges, was found not guilty. Acting with unprecedented swiftness for Italian tribunals, the court overruled a request for postponement by Maccari's lawyer. The court deliberated 25 minutes before handing down its decision.

Maccari previously had been excommunicated by the Vatican for his attacks on Catholicism, the state religion of Italy.

YANKS WILL HAVE TURKEY, GERMANS SAUSAGE TOMORROW

MUNICH, Dec. 24 (AP)—Christmas menus in the United States-occupied zone of Germany:

For Americans: Tomato juice, roast turkey with giblet gravy, mashed potatoes, candied yams, cranberry sauce, olives, asparagus, pickles, fruit salad, mince pie, cheese cake, hot rolls, butter, jam, cream, sugar, coffee, ice.

For Germans in a typical Munich restaurant: Pea soup, fried liver or sausage with green salad, potatoes with beets, mixed vegetables, bread—total cost maximum of three marks, entire week's meat ration coupons.

BRITISH OFFER FEDERATION PLAN FOR MALAY STATES

Political Unity Proposal Reserves Control of Defense and External Affairs—No Mention of Singapore.

By HARRIS JACKSON

SINGAPORE, Dec. 24 (AP)—The British Government announced last night details of a proposed plan for a "federation of Malaya," designed to bring political unity to the loosely associated native states and British colonies which constitute the present Malayan union, on the southern half of the rubber-rich Malay peninsula.

The plan reserves for the British the complete control of the defense and external affairs of the strategic area, whose quick domination by the Japanese in the early stages of World War II brought consternation to the British Empire.

The lengthy "constitutional proposals for Malay" envisage the creation of a central government under a crown-appointed high commissioner; extension of federation citizenship to most residents; creation of legislative executive councils for the federation of nine Malay states and settlements of Penang and Malacca; and state governments headed by native sultans acting on the advice of a British resident officer.

The proposals were prepared by a 12-man working committee representing the British government, the sultans and the United Malays national organization. It has already been approved by the sultans and the British cabinet, and now will be submitted for the approval of Indian, Chinese and other racial groups.

The plan has been opposed by the newly formed Pan Malayan Council of Joint Action, representing 15 Chinese and Indian trade union association, on the ground that it was worked out in secret sessions, without prior consultation with the Malayan people.

There is no mention in the proposals of Singapore, which remains a separate Crown colony, or the Governor General's office, which apparently would remain the chief colonial office for Malaya, Sarawak and British North Borneo.

Federal citizenship would be granted to any subject of a Malayan sultan, any British subject born in Penang or Malacca who has resided there continuously for 15 years, any British subject born on the Malay Peninsula whose father was born there or resided there continuously for 15 years, or any person whose father is a federal citizen at the time of the person's birth.

The British Government would undertake to prevent "any grave menace to the peace and tranquility of the federation or any Malay state or settlement," and to safeguard "the financial stability and credit of the Federal Government."

800,000 LITTLE NAZIS FREED UNDER AMNESTY BY U. S.

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satisfactory" but "we are heartened by the increased effort which has become evident in the past six weeks."

It was about six weeks ago that Lt. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American deputy military governor, told German minister presidents bluntly that unless the Germans stepped up their de-Nazification efforts the Americans would take over the program again.

McNarney asserted, however, that on the positive side substantial progress had been made in building up democratic institutions.

"I refer specifically," he said, "to the development of local and state government, culminating in the adoption of constitutions and the election of constituent assemblies by the freely expressed will of the people in each of the three states in the United States zone."

New Economic Unity Plea.

McNarney hit at the lack of "unified economic treatment" for Germany and declared zonal boundaries should not hamper Germany's economic life.

"Shortage of food, coal, transport, industrial raw materials and consumer goods of virtually every kind still characterize the German scene," he said. "This highly unsatisfactory economic situation, candor compels me to say, has been accentuated to some extent by failure of the four occupying powers, jointly to implement that very important part of the Potsdam agreement providing for the unified economic treatment of Germany.

"Zonal boundaries," McNarney continued, "should exist only for delimiting occupational areas and not to hamper Germany's economic life. Neither the equitable distribution of essential commodities between the zones nor the working out of a balanced economy for Germany as a whole to provide payment for essential imports has been accomplished.

"Both of these are required under the provision of the Potsdam agreement, as Secretary of State Byrnes pointed out in Stuttgart. Moreover, the central German administration department for finance, transport, communications, foreign trade and industry, likewise provided for in the Potsdam agreement, have not yet been established by quadripartite action."

Progress in 1947 Predicted.

He said the United States offer to join with any other occupying powers in joint economic operation of the zones, and accepted only by the British, would result in many reciprocal advantages to the two zones beginning in 1947.

Declaring American-sponsored youth groups now had more than 700,000 members, McNarney said:

"Looking ahead, it is anticipated that the economic situation will show substantial improvement, and that the development of democratic government and of German youth activities will progress even more favorably during the coming year.

"These factors should lead towards a peaceful, self-supporting and democratic Germany, provided you, the German people, have an honest desire to reach this goal."

1,882,012 FACTORY SALES OF AUTOS IN 11 MONTHS OF '46

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Automobile Manufacturers' Association reported today that factory sales of passenger automobiles during the first 11 months of this year numbered 1,882,012 compared with 3,569,338 in 1941.

Truck and bus sales for the same period were 831,409 compared with 987,018 in 1941.

The over-all total of car and truck shipments from the factory for the 11-month period was 60 per cent of the total for the same period of 1941.

The association's figures show that of the total passenger car shipments from January through November this year 122,327 units went into the export market. In the same period the factories shipped 161,244 trucks and 715 coaches to the foreign markets.

RUSSIA REVISES STATE ECONOMIC PLANNING SYSTEM

Individual Ministries Given More Power Under Decree Relaxing Strict Centralization.

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW, Dec. 24 (AP) — A sweeping reorganization of the Soviet Union's economic planning system, with increased emphasis on verifying the degree to which plans are carried out in practice, has been decreed by the Russian Government.

The new system will give individual ministries more power in planning and also involves a special new planning organ for science, according to an outline published yesterday in the Journal of Planned Economy.

The decree relaxes the strict centralization of planning activity which prevailed during the war and permits ministries to submit their economic plans to the government annually instead of quarterly and gives them authority to modify production assignments within limits, as indicated by circumstances.

A far-reaching attempt to plan scientific progress was seen in that part of the decree which created a department charged with drafting a "genuinely scientific state technical plan embracing all the most important spheres of science technics."

The Gosplan (state planning commission under Nikolai Alexandrovich Voznesensky) is reorganized under the decree, which established over-all co-ordinating departments, including a department of "economic relations proportions," charged with eliminating bottlenecks in industry.

The new measure involves no departure from fundamental collectivist principles, but is a strictly organizational move aimed at improving and adapting the planning system to postwar conditions and tasks.

Laundry Man Robbed.

Charlie Yung, operator of a laundry at 909 North Sarah street, was robbed of $24 at 7 p.m. yesterday by two Negroes who forced him into a rear room with revolvi ers and then bound him with an electric iron cord. After they fled, Yung freed himself and called police.

ARNALL TO RESIGN WHEN SUCCESSOR IS NAMED, HE SAYS

Georgia Governor Asserts He Is Entitled to Office, Does Not Seek to Extend Tenure.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 24 (UP)—Gov. Ellis Arnall declared today he was entitled under the constitution because of the death of Gov.-elect Eugene Talmadge, to hold office four more years but that he would remain governor only long enough for a line of succession to be established and then resign.

"I announce definitely to the people of Georgia that this is the course I will pursue in order to carry out their expressed will," Arnall said in a 400-word statement.

His declaration followed announcement by Lt. Gov.-Elect M. E. Thompson that the people expected him to succeed the late Eugene Talmadge, who was buried yesterday just three weeks before he was to take office. It also followed opening of a determined campaign by Talmadge forces to ask the legislature next month to elect his son, Herman.

Interpretation of Law.

Arnall's statement said that the confused situation following Talmadge's death "is one not specifically dealt with by the constitution."

He contended that no specific section of the new document, approved by the 1945 Legislature, provided for naming a governor when a governor-elect dies before being installed.

Hence, Arnall continued, the controlling provision is one fixing the governor's term as "four years and until his successor is chosen and qualified."

Arnall's statement continued:

"Under this view, which I believe to be correct, I am constitutionally entitled to retain the office of governor for four more years.

"I do not desire to do anything of the kind. I do not desire to extend my tenure of office through a technical legal argument. It is, however, my obvious constitutional duty to see that this matter is clarified and to continue performing the duties of the office of governor until the matter is clearly settled, but not a day longer.

Cites Election Results.

"Furthermore, the primary last summer and the election in the fall were undoubted expressions of the people of Georgia that they wished Hon. M. E. Thompson as lieutenant governor, to succeed to the governor's office if for any reason the governor then elected was unable to serve.

"I wish very much that this had been distinctly provided in the constitution but it is not so provided, hence the only way for me to give effect to this popular expression of opinion is to hold the position long enough to establish the right of that succession and then to resign promptly at a time when the lieutenant governor has been installed in office and he can succeed under the constitutional provision and when there can be no further question as to his right to do so.

People to Make Choice.

"This procedure will enable the sovereign people of Georgia to whom the office of governor finally and fundamentally belongs to elect their choice at the earliest possible time consistent with the constitution."

Arnall had been scheduled to vacate the executive post Jan. 14.

Meanwhile, Thompson said that voters "expect me" to succeed to the vacancy.

"I hope that no one will dare resort to trickery or legal technicalities to thwart the expressed will of the people," he said.

Thompson declared that the electorate knew their choice for lieutenant governor "would succeed to the vacancy in the event of the death or disability" of Talmadge.

Christmas With the Dionnes.

CORBEIL, Ont., Dec. 24 (AP)—Holiday greetings from all parts of the world poured into the farm home of Oliva Dionne and his quintuplet daughters today as the Dionne family prepared for its Christmas celebration.

TONIGHT
Tune to KSD for
FIBBER McGEE & MOLLY
at
8:30 p. m.
and other big shows in the
NBC PARADE OF STARS
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Christmas Masses
St. Mary of Victories Church
748 So. Third St.
Midnight, 7:30, 8:15, 11:40, 12:10 and 12:40.
Monsignor Stitz, Pastor

CHURCH NOTICES.

PILGRIM CHURCH
(Congregational)
826 North Union Boulevard
Tuesday, December 24
Midnight Christmas Eve Service by Candlelight
11:00 P. M.
Meditation by Dr. Sylvester
The Chancel and Chapel Choirs will sing antiphonally.

CHURCH NOTICES.

MESSIAH LUTHERAN
Grand Boulevard at Pestalozzi Street
George W. Wittmer and Robert C. Boedecker, Pastors
Lambert Mennemeyer, Organist and Choirmaster
Dec. 24th, SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE 7:00 P. M.
Dec. 24th, THE HOLY NIGHT SERVICE 11:00 P. M.
Dec. 25th, THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL SERVICE 10:30 A. M.

P. S. CO. INVOKES ARBITRATION PLAN WHEN UNION VOTES DOWN $1.20 OFFER

Vice President Greenland Named to Board by Firm, Which Says It Cannot Meet Employes' Demands.

The St. Louis Public Service Co. today named its vice president and general manager, Samuel W. Greenland, as company representative on an arbitration board to arbitrate the wage demands of its streetcar and bus operators under the compulsory arbitration clause of the present contract.

Written notice that the company would invoke the arbitration clause in an effort to avert a transportation strike next Tuesday midnight was handed to A. E. East, president of the operating employes' union, after negotiations of the wage demands were resumed today at the company offices. A company offer of $1.20 an hour as the wage rate for a new contract, to be effective Jan. 1, was rejected by the union membership yesterday.

In its letter to East, the company asserted it was seeking arbitration, "on account of the company's financial inability to meet the demands of your union."

Cites Arbitration Clause.

"As you know," the letter continued, "section four of our contract provides that there shall be no strikes or lockouts and that any question arising between us, which can not be amicably adjusted by conference, shall be submitted to arbitration. We believe that to be the only way, and the American way, of settling disputes such as this which directly involve the general public."

Union opinion has questioned whether arbitrators named under the present clause would be effective after the contract expires. Campany officials replied that it is accepted practice to continue in effect a contract containing a "no strike" clause if arbitration proceedings are in motion before the expiration of the contract.

Rejection of the company offer was at morning and evening meetings at Carpenters' Hall, 1411 North Grand boulevard. More than 1000 attended each meeting. Although a strike notice was filed by the union Nov. 25 with the Department of Labor, there was no formal discussion or action on a strike vote yesterday.

Union Insists on $1.40.

In rejecting the company offer, the union membership instructed its committee to insist on a demand of $1.40 an hour, the original figure requested at the start of negotiations a month ago.

The present contract, expiring Dec. 31, provides for $1.05 an hour for streetcar and bus operators. Although the company offered 15 cents an hour additional under the proposed new contract, it was mutually agreed to eliminate the present 3-cent hourly incentive bonus, making the net gain under the company's proposal only 12 cents an hour, union officers said.

The company offer was read at both meetings yesterday with a report that the union wage committee recommended rejection. Rejection was by standing vote, followed by cheers of a few cries of "strike."

Leaders commented that the offer was the best a committee had ever brought back from negotiations with the Public Service Co. It had been reported the union negotiators had reduced their original demand to $1.25 an hour prior to instructions from the membership yesterday to insist on the demand for $1.40 an hour.

25 Other Issues.

About 25 other issues are involved in the negotiations, including vacations, percentage of straight runs, problems of tripper runs and other working conditions. The union also has asked for a reduction of the present 48-hour week to 40 hours. The bus and streetcar men are members of Division 788, Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employes.

The 15-cent wage offer was rejected last night by another group of Public Service Co. employes, 74 linemen and armature room workers affiliated with the AFL Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 2. Of the 55 men attending the meeting, 51 voted to reject the company offer. The average wage for this group is $1.09½ an hour.

Thirty-nine men working in company substations and affiliated with AFL Electrical Workers' Local No. 1, will vote on the wage question later in the week. United States Conciliator A. J. Hummert, who has been assisting in negotiations with both groups, said further negotiations would be conducted on Friday or next Monday.

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Homeless Men at Christmas Dinner

—By a Post-Dispatch Staff Photographer.

Homeless men offer thanks for a Christmas dinner which included turkey and mince pie, served at the Sunshine Mission, 310 Market street, last night. About 150 men were guests of the Agoga Class of the Third Baptist Church. Another dinner will be given tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. (Additional pictures in the Everyday Magazine.)

TWO KILLED, 5 HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENTS

Truck-Car Crash Fatal to Boy —Man Struck by Machine Dies.

Two persons were killed and five others injured in automobile accidents in St. Louis and St. Louis county last night and today.

The dead are Byron Fiori, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Fiori, Music's Ferry road, St. Louis county, and Allen W. Mattox, 3365 Brown road, St. John.

The boy was a passenger in an automobile being driven east on Hall's Ferry road in St. Louis county by his father. Near Chambers road, the machine struck the rear of a coal truck.

The elder Fiori, who suffered serious head injuries, and his daughter, Virginia, 11, suffering from cuts and bruises, were taken to City Hospital by a passing motorist. The driver of the truck was John Barkau, Lord drive, Baden Station.

Mattox, 62, was struck by an automobile as he was crossing Woodson road in Overland. Witnesses said Mattox was walking across the road with his head down. The driver of the car said he was William J. McCorkell Jr., 3301 Edmundson road, St. John.

James W. Ingram Jr., 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ingram, 3865 West Pine boulevard, suffered head injuries and a fracture of the left leg today when he was struck by a truck at Lindell boulevard and Vandeventer avenue. The driver, who said he was Walter E. Davis, Greenville, Ill., told police the boy ran into the path of his machine as he was turning south into Vandeventer.

Charles M. Cox, 7017 Sutherland avenue, and Miss Maude Nichols of Kansas City, who is living at the Mayfair Hotel, were injured seriously early today when their automobile crashed into a concrete safety zone post in South Broadway near Itaska street. They were taken to City Hospital. Cox suffered head and possible internal injuries. Miss Nichols suffered internal injuries and a compound fracture of the left leg.

HOTEL ROOMS FOR EMPLOYES OF ARMY DEPENDENCY AGENCY

The United States Army's Office of Dependency Benefits is arranging hotel reservations in St. Louis for those employes of the agency moving here from Newark, N.J., this month and next who are unable to find their own accommodations, it was announced today.

About 500 persons are in the process of moving here. All fiscal records of individual soldiers will be centralized at the Army Finance Center, 4300 Goodfellow boulevard, under the command of Col. Leonard H. Sims.

Most of the employes coming here are single, it was reported, and only a few have requested transportation for dependents. Most married workers will come here alone to find accommodations before having their families join them.

PRESIDENT KEPT WAITING AS NURSE BATHES SULLIVAN

A nurse who was giving Congressman John B. Sullivan of St. Louis a bath in a Washington hospital kept President Truman waiting in the hall recently until she had finished, Congressman Sullivan's wife revealed in a letter to John J. Griffin, vice president of the Industrial Bank & Trust Co. here.

Sullivan is recovering from an eye operation. His old friend, President Truman, had come to the hospital with a box of flowers under his arm.

"Presidents are just people to a nurse giving her patient a bath," Griffin said. "Mrs. Sullivan wrote me that the nurse simply said Truman would have to wait."

The president stayed for a long visit with Sullivan, after the bath was finished. After Truman left, Sullivan had his nurse distribute the flowers to other patients and nurses in the hospital.

FESTIVAL MOOD AS CITY PREPARES TO GREET SANTA

Continued From Page One.

213 Walnut street, at midnight tonight.

The Most Rev. A. J. Paschang, Bishop of Kongmoon, China, will celebrate a midnight mass at St. Henry's Catholic Church, 2747 Rutger street.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3117 St. Louis avenue, will have a special children's program this evening at 7:30 o'clock, and a service beginning at 11 o'clock. A festival celebration of the Holy Communion will be at 11:30 o'clock tonight at St. John's Episcopal Church, 3664 Arsenal street.

A Christmas eve service at Pilgrim Congregational Church, Union boulevard and Kensington avenue, will begin at 11 o'clock, preceded by the sacrament of holy communion at 10:15 o'clock.

Christmas Day Services.

Services scheduled for tomorrow include a solemn pontifical mass, celebrated by Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter, at 11 a.m. at the St. Louis Cathedral. The Christmas day service at Christ Church Cathedral will also begin at 11 o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Harvey McKenzie Throop, minister of Peters Memorial Presbyterian Church, will preach at the 9 a.m. worship at his church tomorrow. A festival service at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church begins at 10:45 a.m., and the Christmas day service at St. John's Episcopal Church is at 10:30 a.m.

Christmas parties are being planned by the Salvation Army, the St. Louis Chapter of the American Red Cross, and a number of Community Chest agencies throughout the city and county. More than 20 organizations are scheduled to give parties for various groups at the Veterans Hospital, Jefferson Barracks.

Eighty-five Christmas boxes were distributed to patients at Veterans' Hospital by the Missouri State Gold Star Mothers of World War II.

About 400 Dupo (Ill.) children received presents last night at the town's second annual community Christmas party at the Dupo High School.

TAKEN FOR A RIDE IN OWN AUTO BY 3, ROBBED OF $80

Edward Rudolph, an insurance collector, was forced to lie on the back floor of his automobile for two and one-half hours last night while three Negro robbers drove his machine about the city. The men took $80 from him.

Rudolph told police he was returning to his machine, parked in the 200 block of North Garrison avenue, after making a collection when he was approached by the men. One of them pressed a hard object in his back and announced, "This is a stick-up."

After taking the money the men ordered Rudolph to lie down in the car. They covered him with his raincoat so he could not see and then drove in a circuitous route about the city until the machine ran out of gasoline in the 2600 block of Walnut street. There the robbers jumped out and fled. Rudolph lives at 1616 Quendo avenue, University City.

1130 DEAD, 100,000 HOMELESS IN JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE

(Picture in Everyday Magazine.)

TOKYO, Dec. 24 (UP) — The Japanese Home Ministry today listed 1130 dead in the earthquake area, 1304 injured and 158 missing. It said more than 100,000 persons were homeless. An unofficial tabulation by Kyodo news agency, however, listed 1174 dead, 1522 injured and 167 missing, and added that at least 200,000 victims of quake, flood and fire were homeless.

OSAKA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Lt. Arington C. Thompson of Columbia, Mo., pilot of a light observation plane, and Lt. Col. J. D. Vanderpol of Wetumka, Okla., returned today from a reconnaissance flight over the disaster zone. They were forced down near Shingu Saturday.

LUMBERJACK FIGHT BLAMED FOR HOTEL FIRE FATAL TO TWO

QUEBEC CITY, Que., Dec. 24 (UP)—A fight between two lumberjacks, in which an oil stove was upset, was believed to have started a fire that destroyed the three-story Mount Royal Hotel, killing a woman and a 16-year-old girl, firemen said today.

The fire broke out last night and spread rapidly through the hotel. Five persons were injured.

YOUTH DELINQUENCY DOWN 8.8 PCT. IN YEAR

Report Says St. Louis Has a 'Leading Place' in Curbing of Such Crimes.

Juvenile delinquency in St. Louis was reduced by 8.8 per cent during the past year, the annual report of the Police Department for the fiscal year ending March 31 said today.

The report, submitted to the Board of Aldermen, said that as a result of the work of this division, established in 1943, St. Louis has "a leading place" among cities of its population classification in curbing crimes committed by persons under 25 years of age.

Frank X. Reller, chief probation officer of the St. Louis Juvenile Court, said comparative figures of juvenile offenses for the past year and the year preceding showed the following:

Burglaries, a decrease from 192 to 186; petty thefts, a decrease from 254 to 193; incorrigible cases, a decrease from 294 to 241, and cases of youths running away from home, a decrease from 536 to 421.

The juvenile bureau, which is under the supervision of a detective sergeant and staffed by 16 officers and four policewomen, achieved a 40 per cent reduction of juvenile crime in 1944.

During the fiscal year the traffic violation bureau handled 48,514 cases and collected $71,701 in fines. The Police Women's Bureau made 387 arrests, had 167 warrants issued and investigated 4082 cases of missing persons of whom 3597 were located.

The Research Bureau of the Secret Service Division during the same period tested 621 revolvers and rifles, made 85 examinations for latent fingerprints, photographed 69 accident and crime scenes and made 60 chemical and microscope examinations of crimes.

Of 2009 automobiles reported stolen in the city during the fiscal year, 260 were recovered by the Automobile Bureau, 1314 were recovered by police districts, 400 were recovered by other jurisdictions and 50 were found by their owners.

WOUNDED WOMAN SAYS SHE SHOT SELF; NO EXPLANATION

Mrs. Thomas J. Pivac, 40 years old, 6520 Corbitt avenue, University City, was taken to St. Louis County Hospital early today, suffering from a bullet wound in the abdomen. She told a city detective of University City she shot herself but declined to say why.

Her husband told police he was awakened about 6:30 a.m. by a noise and found his wife standing beside the bed wounded. His revolver was on the floor, he said.

Hospital attendants learned from him that Mrs. Pivac had been nervous but not despondent and had not threatened suicide.

SANTA TO LEAVE GIFT PLANE TIED WITH BOW ON LAWN

Neighbors of Louis A. Brasovan, 7704 Harter avenue, Richmond Heights, will see an unusual Christmas gift on his front lawn tomorrow morning. A two-place light cabin airplane, tied with a huge bow, to be delivered in two sections during the night and assembled before daylight.

The unusual gift for Brasovan, who learned to fly at Parks Air College two years ago, is from his wife, Mrs. Dolly Brasovan. Their 15-year-old son, Louis J. Brasovan, is "air-minded," and their 7-year-old daughter, Marie, "loves to go up in the air." They will see the plane fueled in the morning by a midget airport service truck.

The craft replaces an older model Brasovan owned and flew to Illinois communities near his family home at Christopher, where he "barnstormed" on a successful one-man crusade to further constructing and improving of hometown flying fields. He is a member of the St. Louis Aviation Foundation and a staff member of the St. Louis Aviation News, and believes amateur flying is a civic concern.

Mrs. Brasovan expects to learn to fly it soon and the children will "grow up with planes." Brasovan is manager of the Hotel Jefferson barber shop, where he also "talks aviation."

200 CLUB CLOSED AT MADISON, BUT NOT BY SHERIFF

Hyde Park Gambling House at Venice Also Reported to Plan Shutdown Tonight.

Madison's 200 Club failed to open last night and it was reported that another big gambling establishment on the East Side, the Hyde Park Club at Venice, would close its doors tonight.

The development followed the recent disappearance of automatic punchboard devices from Madison taverns after United States District Judge Charles G. Briggle suggested to Police Chief Barney Fraundorf that he either "confiscate slot machines in your city or resign."

Madison county law enforcement officers apparently had no part in the closing of the 200 Club. State's Attorney C. W. Burton and Sheriff Dallas Harrell said they had not been aware that either the 200 or the Hyde Park were running, "except for what we've seen in the newspapers."

Employes at the 200 Club were told at closing time, about 2:30 a.m. yesterday, to call for their pay later in the day and not to report for work last night. The club's handbook, as well as roulette, dice and other games, was included in the shutdown.

The two clubs reopened last September after having been closed since May by order of State's Attorney Burton. During the four-month holiday the establishments were refurbished inside and out, with glass brick fronts and leather and chromium furniture.

Business had been good at the two places since the lid went on in St. Clair county after a grand jury at Belleville returned indictments against county and East St. Louis officials last week.

The lid in St. Clair county was on tighter than ever yesterday as lotto games closed down and punchboards were withdrawn from tavern and other counters. East St. Louis police and deputy sheriffs worked together checking each establishment. The lotto shutdown extended even to the game running in the East St. Louis Knights of Columbus Hall.

GRANITE CITY MAYOR'S REPLY ON CITY, EAST SIDE PROBLEMS

Problems which have existed in the past between the East Side and St. Louis are not insurmountable and a "true and sincere harmony" can be developed between residents of both sides of the river, Mayor Charles W. Moerlion, of Granite City, told Mayor Aloys P. Kaufmann in a letter yesterday.

In response to a letter sent by Mayor Kaufmann to Mayor Moerlion last Saturday, the Granite City Mayor said, "Your continued assertions as to alleged conditions on the East Side appear to be ordinary prejudicial political palaver issued for the purpose of attracting attention away from what might be in existence on the 'West Side'."

Mayor Kaufmann started the controversy when, after several East Side officials had been indicted for failure to suppress gambling, he said citizens of St. Louis "would now appreciate the hesitancy of the administration in investing airport funds on the East Side."

20 HURT WHEN PASSENGER AND FREIGHT TRAINS COLLIDE

WAUBAY, S.D., Dec. 24 (UP)—A faulty or improprely thrown switch was said today to have caused the headon collision of a slow-moving freight train and a Chicago-bound Milwaukee road passenger, the Olympian, near here last night.

Twenty persons received medical attention for injuries, but only one, Angus Thompson, 70 years old, Aberdeen, S.D., was in serious condition. He suffered a concussion.

The west bound freight, scheduled to take a siding, ran through the switch and crashed headon into the train of day coaches carrying 14 cars of holiday travelers. Engines of both rtains remained on the track, but 10 freight cars, two of the Olympian's mail and express cars, and two passenger coaches were derailed.

Most of those injured were in the dining car and were struck by flying glass ware and crockery.

BREWERY DRIVERS, HELPERS GET $10.40 A WEEK BOOST

A pay increase of $10.40 a week for about 470 brewery drivers and helpers is provided in a contract signed by Local 133, Beer Drivers, Chauffeurs and Helpers union, with six breweries and 10 beer distributors, it was announced today by Henry Hubeli, financial secretary and treasurer of the local.

The contract, first to be signed by the new union, also provides for time-and-a-half overtime pay for all work over 40 hours. The pay boost, retroactive to Nov. 1, brings the salaries of drivers and helpers to $58 a week.

The contract provides that drivers are to have helpers in making deliveries to establishments on upper floors or in basements. Breweries are still negotiating contracts with brewers, bottlers, firemen and engineers.

Insurance Collector Robbed.

Edward E. Barnes, 4001 Blaine avenue, a collector for the National Life and Accident Insurance Co., was robbed of $100 shortly before 6 p.m. yesterday by two Negroes who forced him into a hallway in the 2900 block of Easton avenue. One of the robbers carried a revolver. They left Barnes the change in his pocket for "carfare."

G. L. ROBERTSON CONSIDERED FOR U.S. ATTORNEY

Record of OPA Ex-Executive Here Under Scrutiny With That of Conran, D. M. Robinson.

George L. Robertson, who was district enforcement executive of the Office of Price Administration here until his resignation one month ago, is being considered for appointment to the office of United States Attorney for the Eastern Missouri district, the Post-Dispatch learned today.

An inquiry now being made by the Federal Bureau of Investigation into Robertson's record and qualifications is taken as indicating that James V. Conran of New Madrid, lately under consideration for the appointment, may not be selected by President Truman.

The FBI had made an investigation of Conran, this being a routine procedure in the case of anyone considered for appointment to an important federal office. Conran, prosecuting attorney of New Madrid county and Democratic leader in Southeast Missouri, was indorsed for the appointment by retiring United States Senator Frank P. Briggs.

Republican Attitude.

He was considered acceptable to the President, but the attitude of Republican Senators Forrest C. Donnell and James P. Kem toward Conran's appointment was in doubt. Determined opposition on their part might prevent confirmation by the Senate of any appointee to federal office in this state.

Besides its investigation of Conran, the FBI had made an inquiry as to another possible selection, David M. Robinson, assistant for the past 12 years to District Attorney Harry C. Blanton.

Robertson, former mayor of Salisbury, Mo., and a resident of Roanoke, Mo., with a law office in Moberly, has political backing in three North Missouri counties, Chariton, Howard and Randolph. He is 45 years old, unmarried, and a graduate of the University of Missouri law school. He was elected prosecuting attorney of Chariton county in 1939, after a four-year term as mayor of Salisbury.

Came to St. Louis in '42.

He resigned the prosecutorship in October, 1942, to become enforcement attorney of the OPA St. Louis office. In January, 1945, he was made district enforcement executive.

After his resignation from the OPA last month, Robertson returned to Roanoke, Howard county, where he owns a 600-acre farm and raises fine horses. He planned to resume law practice in Moberly.

As a previous holder of an important federal position, Robertson has been subject to past inquiry by the FBI, and this is taken as indicating that the result of the present inquiry is likely to be favorable.

Senator Briggs and Roy Harper of Caruthersville, Democratic state chairman, have said in reply to inquiries that Conran's name has not been withdrawn.

Marshalship Discussion.

Democratic politicians, discussing the possibility of Robertson's appointment, said today that it might mean the selection of Otto Schoen of Fornfelt, chairman of the Scott county Democratic committee, for the office of United States marshal.

If Conran were made district attorney, it would be unlikely that the marshalship also would go to the southeast section of the state. As Robertson is from north of the Missouri river, his appointment would point to selection of a marshal from one of the southern counties. Scott is a river county south of Cape Girardeau.

William B. Fahy of Monroe City, in north Missouri, is holding over in the office of marshal until a new appointee is selected. It has been understood that the marshalship appointment would depend, geographically, on the selection made for the attorneyship.

CHRISTMAS BRINGS RECOVERY FROM POLIO FOR 9 IN FAMILY

RANDALL, Minn., Dec. 24 (AP) —The Christmas cup of joy was overflowing today in the Frank Anders household.

Three months ago the nine Anders children were stricken, one by one, by infantile paralysis.

Today all nine were able to gather around the Christmas tree in their small farm home near here—all recovered or nearly recovered from the disease.

Frank, 18 years old, the eldest, returned home only yesterday from Gillette state hospital for crippled children in St. Paul.

HURT GRAPPLING WITH ROBBER

Fred Winther, 80 years old, grappled with a robber in an alley near his home last night and suffered cuts on the head when he was struck with a revolver.

Winther, a retired watchman, 5095 Cabanne avenue, told police he was walking in an alley between Cates and Kensington avenue, west of Academy avenue, when a man pressed a hard object against his back. He said he resisted and the man hit him with the butt end of a revolver. The robber fled with Winther's wallet, which contained no money. Winther was treated at City Hospital.

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WILLIAM MANDEL

BOY DESPONDENT OVER PARALYSIS KILLS SELF

William Mandel Was to Help Trim Tree, Get Football He Wanted So Much.

William Mandel, who was going to get a football for Christmas because he wanted it very badly, despite the fact that he had been partly paralyzed for 10 of his 14 years, killed himself in a sudden fit of despondency yesterday at his home, 4217 Connecticut street.

His father, Patrolman Harry E. Mandel of the Lucas Avenue District, said Bill was looking forward to Christmas and was going to help put up the Christmas tree tonight. Now the tree will not be raised and there will be no holiday celebration in the Mandel home.

Bill idolized his brother, Harry E. Mandel Jr., 20 years old, who was released from the Army Oct. 1 after serving as a paratroop sergeant. In high school, Harry was an outstanding football player.

His Christmas Wish.

His younger brother wanted to play football, too, despite the fact that his paralyzed left side made his co-ordination poor. When Bill asked if he could have a football for Christmas, his father decided to get him the best one he could find.

Bill's partial paralysis had caused him to limp and stumble for 10 years. He had suffered brain concussions in seven falls, his brother related.

All last summer the boy was in a hospital undergoing tests. Physicians were unable to determine what caused his paralysis, a condition which they thought might have dated from birth.

Condition Grows Worse.

Lately, Bill's condition had grown worse, his brother related. Last June, he was graduated from Horace Mann School and in September he entered Roosevelt High School. But his illness forced him to withdraw.

Late yesterday, his mother, Mrs. Fern Mandel, was hanging curtains in the kitchen, after giving the house the final festive touches for the holiday season. She heard a shot, ran to her son's room and found it empty. Then she rushed to her bedroom and found Bill lying on the bed.

Screaming, she ran next door to a friend's house. They summoned the boy's father, who was working on his automobile in the garage in the rear of his home. The motor was running and he had not heard the shot.

Although Bill seemed to have forgotten his troubles on the eve of Christmas, he had threatened suicide before and several times had asked if there was any poison in the house, his father said.

When police arrived, they found the boy on the bed, his father's revolver at his side. In the chamber were five bullets and one discharged cartridge. A spent bullet was near the body.

A Coroner's jury returned a verdict today of "suicide while under a temporary mental aberration."

The football that Bill wanted so badly will be given to some other boy.

APPLICATION FOR ANNULMENT OF MARRIAGE IS GRANTED

The marriage of Martha Elda Prendergast and Kenneth A. Hannigan in July, 1941, was annulled yesterday, on her application, in the court of Circuit Judge Raymond E. LaDriere at Clayton.

Mins Prendergast is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Prendergast, 3 Colonial court, Ladue.

She testified a divorce decree obtained by her on Sept. 17, 1941, in the St. Louis circuit court was set aside last Dec. 6 on the ground the court lacked jurisdiction. Hannigan, an accountant, lives at 4 Colonial court.

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BUSSES TO REPLACE LIMITS-FERGUSON STREETCAR LINE

Public Service Commission Orders Trolley Route Abandoned on Plea by P. S. Co.

Abandonment of the City Limits-Ferguson streetcar line and substitution of bus service in the areas affected were ordered by the Missouri Public Service Commission at Jefferson City today, on an application filed last April by the Public Service Co.

The commission also approved dropping of the short connecting Florissant line, running to the Kinloch district, and substitution of bus service for it.

The City Limits line extends from Maplewood on the south to Ferguson on the north, operating on private right-of-way over much of the distance. Bus service, as proposed by the company, would operate on streets near the right-of-ways, serving generally the same communities.

As reasons for the change, the company said it was losing money on street car operation and that it was about to lose its right-of-way along Natural Bridge road under a state condemnation suit for the widening of Natural Bridge. Also, the state plans a "clover-leaf" arrangement for handling traffic at the intersection of Natural Bridge with Kienlen avenue, Jennings road and the street car right-of-way in Pine Lawn, the application said.

The company's further statement that bus service would be better and faster was challenged at a Public Service Commission hearing last May by officials and residents of several outlying communities, who contended that bus service would be inadequate.

Hans Hinrichs, secretary of the St. Louis Traffic and Transit Association, told the commission the change had been instigated by National City Lines, owners of the Public Service Co., "for the benefit of motor bus, tire and gasoline interests." The commission in its order described these charges as "theoretical, speculative and based on assumptions." St. Louis city officials favored the change.

The bus route approved by the commission, subject to granting of permits by municipalities concerned, was as follows: From Manchester boulevard, Maplewood, north on Yale avenue to Wise avenue, west on Bellevue avenue, north to Clayton road, east to Skinker boulevard, north to Delmar boulevard, east to Hamilton boulevard, north to Wells avenue, west to Hodiamont avenue, north to Lotus avenue, west to Kienlen avenue, north to Natural Bridge road, west to Florissant road and northwest to the present street car line terminus in Ferguson.

Shuttle service at certain times was approved for the route on Florissant road from Natural Bridge road to Ferguson. A second shuttle route approved by the commission will extend west on Natural Bridge to Carson road, north to Scudder avenue, west to Dowling avenue, north to Airport road and east to the Berkeley City Hall.

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April 10, 1907.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

The name and complete address of the author must accompany every contribution but on request will not be published. Letters not exceeding 200 words will receive preference.

Where Is Wartime America?

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Somehow I find it difficult to believe that this is the prideful and huge America that it was during the war.

The Government put its heavy fist down and said that there would be no building except what would benefit the war effort.

Then came peace. The returning veteran came home to share a house with in-laws and relatives, and the less fortunate found their diggings where they could.

The vague and elastic laws made by the Government to expedite housing facilities are not fooling anyone.

Where is that heavy fist now? Where are the talents that put up barracks and defense projects overnight?

I'm not sure, but I suspect the villain in this story is a highly respected neighbor in the real estate business. He's an ambidextrous fellow selling houses with one hand and fleecing with the other.

BETTY CO-ED.

Gangway for a Housewife

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Will you inform your readers which bunch of gangsters the housewife will have to contact to get a few pounds of sugar for the Christmas holidays?

MRS. L. R. SCHUTTE.

The Black-Eyed-Pea Trend

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

A St. Louis friend of a friend of mine writes this about black-eyed peas, after seeing a letter of mine about eating black-eyed peas on New Year's day for luck:

"I got a kick out of this because the store where I buy has black-eyed peas and can't sell them. I wouldn't eat the damn things. Most folks here think only hillbillies eat black-eyed peas."

I don't know what the gentleman from St. Louis is talking about when he says "hillbillies.' Close to 150,000 persons will eat black-eyed peas in Dallas this year on New Year's day. I never thought Dallas had any kind of a "hillbilly" appearance.

On Dec. 2, walking down the streets of St. Louis, I stopped 10 persons at random, and asked them if they knew what black-eyed peas were, had ever eaten them, or expected to eat them on New Year's day. Six answered yes on all three counts. Three had never heard of them in any way. One had eaten them once, with no particular desire to eat them again, but she didn't damn them. All of the 10—five men and five women—looked like good responsible citizens.

ELMORE R. TORN.
Longview, Tex.

The Governor and the Issue

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

Gov. Donnelly is attempting to divert the attention of Missourians from the real issue in the dispute between the Federal Government and the State of Missouri over the return of the employment service to state control.

His cry of "state's rights" obscures the real issue: reduction of salaries.

No doubt there are strong advocates of state's rights among the Governors of the 47 other states, but apparently they are seeking some other method of fighting bureaucracy than that of cutting the already low salaries of their state employes at a time when the cost of living is skyrocketing.

A MISSOURI VETERAN.

Cut Down to Size

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch:

In solving the troubles brought on by recent nation-wide strikes, I believe the sting could be removed and that the interest of both the public and the working man would be protected if it were simply made unlawful to negotiate industry-wide labor agreements. Doing so would compel bargaining, union affiliations, etc., to be limited to a single plant, mine, steamship company, etc.

This would not eliminate all squabbles, but it would keep them on a basis that can be handled. As it is now, the maritime, telephone, coal, oil, steel, automobile and railroad labor organizations can put the country out of business in short order.

There is no doubt that size alone can become a factor that is dangerous in itself. While we have taken some of the danger out of size as far as business is concerned, there is also danger there. We now have a number of business institutions so large that bankruptcy or even financial difficulties to some of them would cause severe injury to almost everyone in the country. In many cases they are larger than need be for effective operation.

For example, what relation is there between diesel locomotives, home refrigerators and automobiles as made by General Motors? Many products of du Pont, Allis Chalmers, General Electric are not closely related. So would it not pay to see if it is not in the best interest of the public, and of capital and labor, to cut some of these units down to a size where they can be handled?

SMALL MANUFACTURER.

Program for Army Courts

The proposals for reform of military justice made by a committee of the American Bar Association strike directly at the three major evils of the courts-martial system. This moderate and objective report should help clear up the violent criticism and public hostility toward Army justice, if Secretary Patterson adopts the recommendations.

In its long investigation, the bar committee brushed aside prejudice and unfounded criticisms, but it also discovered "actual breakdowns in the operation of the system." The attorneys, who included Jacob M. Lashly of St. Louis, put the finger on three most essential alterations in Army justice:

(1) The courts should be removed from the domination of command. As long as a commanding officer controls a court which tries one of his men, he serves in effect as accuser and judge. He may use the court primarily to enforce discipline, not to assure justice.

(2) Enlisted men should have a place on the courts. This is aimed directly at the severest criticism of all—that there are two standards of military justice, one for officers, one for enlisted men.

(3) The Judge Advocate General's department should be expanded with qualified legal personnel to administer courts-martial. Too often trials have been left to amateurs, or worse, to officers whose interest in providing an adequate case for the defense was slight indeed.

Most of these recommendations have been heard before—from a House military affairs subcommittee and from the Doolittle board which Secretary of War Patterson named to investigate the caste system. Mr. Patterson's vague reaction to the Doolittle board's suggestions was not reassuring.

But it would be most unwise for the War Department to disregard the work of the Bar Association committee. It is an intelligent plan calculated to repair public opinion and damaged military morale, which have suffered through such repeated evidence of inequities as the Lichfield trials.

Before long, as the committee points out, the Army will ask Congress for more funds, and for authority to provide universal training for American youth. The public would welcome both more easily if the War Department gave some assurance that it would bring its courts-martial system closer to the nation's conception of justice.

The Dairen Incident

Last year the Chinese and Russian Governments signed a treaty which provided that Dairen, pick of the Manchurian seaports, shall be a free city. A free city is just what the term connotes namely, a city free to all.

Yet an unarmed American vessel, under command of a naval officer and carrying a United States diplomatic courier, was ordered out of Dairen by Soviet military authorities who continue in control of the city.

The ultimatum delivered by the Russian commander, was quoted as follows: "Unless you leave within 20 minutes we will not be responsible for the consequences."

Since the dispatch attributes these words to a Soviet Major General, the affair apparently cannot be charged up to irresponsibility.

No explanation from Dairen will suffice. This is something for Moscow to account for and to account for in full satisfaction to the State Department.

Don't Pity the Rabbit!

Charles W. Gerngross, president of the State Wildlife Conservation Organization, protests against the sale of dressed rabbits to out-of-town buyers, on the ground that there are counties which are under-stocked with rabbits.

The logical reaction, for anyone who has watched the rabbit nuisance in such countries as Australia and New Zealand, or some of the Plains states, is to reply "Glory be!" The deadly peril, where the prolific rabbit is concerned, is in being over-stocked—not under-supplied.

About the middle of the last century some Australian immigrants, homesick for Britain and its flora and fauna, ordered and received a few English hares. These rabbits have multiplied and depleished the land to such an extent that the importers of the original stock, although fortunately shielded by anonymity, have become the most cursed of men.

All that public and private hunters, paid poisoners and the builders of rabbit-proof fences have been able to do has not been enough to stop *oryctolagus cuniculus*.

In desperation, the Australian Government a few decades ago built a rabbit-proof fence across the whole breadth of the continent. It is in fact two fences, a few feet apart, each built of heavy mesh and running two or three feet into the ground. This has been some protection to Queensland and Northern Australia, but unfortunately these states were already somewhat infested before the fences were built. Even in Queensland vast swarms of rabbits sometimes sweep over the back "stations," eating the meadows as bare as desert and starving thousands of sheep.

Even in Missouri rabbits do substantial damage to fruit trees and vegetable crops. In the late '30s, at the prompting of the beagle hound hunters, the Conservation Commission placed a tax on the export of rabbits from the state, but irate farmers forced repeal of the levy.

The farmers probably will continue to have their way, and for very good reason—the rabbit doesn't need protection.

A Promise in Warsaw

The reply of the Moscow-run Government of Poland to Britain's protests against the one-sidedness of the general elections to be held Jan. 19 is a persistent irrelevancy. Russia, along with Britain and the United States, pledged itself at the Crimea conference that the Polish Government to be set up would be pledged to "the holding of free and unfettered elections . . ."

To the contrary of being a free and unfettered election, the performance scheduled for next month is a cynical parody. Stanislaw Mikolajczyk's Peasant Party, the majority political organization in Poland, has been terrorized, gagged and imprisoned; and when Britain and the United States protest, the best the Communist-dominated Government can do in reply is to talk about something else entirely—charges against the British Government respecting, largely, the former Polish Government-in-exile.

What it adds up to is that the Warsaw stooges are afraid to hold a free and unfettered election, and afraid to say that they are afraid to.

Fiscal Health Via Housing

The Housing Authority expects to pay the city $33,000 in lieu of taxes for the recently concluded fiscal year. That is small relief for the city's fiscal emergency. Yet, in a very visible sense, the Housing Authority's work tends much more strongly toward balanced municipal books than the size of its payments indicate.

Its work is replacing slums with decent living accommodations. Repeated studies have shown that slums are not only the most common urban disease but the most expensive. Slums pay little taxes. But, because of the sub-human living conditions they offer, they consume inordinately large expenditures for the control of rats and of juvenile delinquency, police and fire and sanitary protection, the hospitalization of physical and mental disease. Hence public housing would be a great bargain if, instead of actually paying the city more taxes than previously came from the sites it has improved, it paid nothing at all.

In a community with more than 86,000 substandard family dwelling units, there is no disputing a prospectus calling for the early construction of 12,000 additional low-rent units. The only question is whether it shall be accomplished by expanding from the Housing Authority's promising but small start of 1315 units. Could private enterprise serve instead? The average income of tenants in the existing developments is less than $1400 a year, and the average rent they can pay is $25 a month. At anything near that rent, private operators could only continue to provide the noisome slums which they have already provided for too many generations.

St. Louis can no longer afford fiscal debilitation through the slums or otherwise. It is therefore imperative that the courts or the new Legislature, and preferably both, be persuaded to permit an augmented Federal-aid public housing program.

Gen. McNarney to the Germans

Gen. McNarney, American commander in the European theater, is to be commended on his decision to make a public appearance before a mass meeting of Germans tonight and to address them directly on behalf of our military government.

The tendency has been for the American occupation forces to withdraw so far from administration of German affairs that serious doubts have arisen as to our intention to stay on the job. The personal appearance of our four-star military Governor before an audience of 10,000 representative Germans will be healthy reassurance to those Germans who want us to stay and lead in the re-education of their youth away from Nazism.

An incidental but nonetheless important benefit will arise from the contrast between Gen. McNarney's soft-spoken, gentlemanly manner and the rantings and ravings of one Adolf Hitler.

Winston Churchill evidently feels that he was not elected leader of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition to preside over the liquidation of the British Empire, either.

France and the Saar: A Symptom

France's action in erecting a customs fence around the Saar was unilateral and high-handed, but neither more nor less can be said for Britain's action six weeks ago in stopping all export of coal—one of France's greatest needs—from the Ruhr. Both acts are symptoms rather than primary ailments.

They are symptoms of the want of policy. If France, Britain, Russia and the United States were agreed upon what their policy as to the Saar and the Ruhr should be, and what policies they should follow in every other major aspect of the German problem, these incidents would not be arising.

In the absence of policy, the occupying powers, which need very much to be presenting a united front to the Germans, are all too often presenting hostile fronts to each other.

These major policies cannot forever be left unsettled, like so many political Flying Dutchmen. The French want at least economic union with the Saar, and the United States is agreed that they should have it. Paris seems now to be trying to gain with an end run what it had not been able to accomplish by bucking the line.

It is a pitiable state of affairs which finds such division so soon among the nations that should be standing firmly together. It is, in fact, so bad as to make it possible that even a wrong decision or two on policy might prove less disastrous in the long run than the continued practice of no policy at all.

The portal-to-portal suits, judging from what they aim to do to the defendants, might be referred to as no-pants suits.

No High-Tariff Mandate

Senator Butler of Nebraska has appealed to Under Secretary Clayton to drop the current tariff-reduction negotiations with other countries on the ground that the Republicans have a mandate "to write a new foreign trade policy." The Senator is reading something into the election results that simply is not there.

The voters sent G.O.P. majorities to the new House and Senate on assurances that the candidates, for the most part, supported the nation's "bipartisan foreign policy." There actually is a bipartisan policy. It includes reciprocal tariff reductions and other measures toward freer world trade. It was cemented, on the Republican side, by men like Senators Vandenberg, Aiken, Ball and Morse.

Now Senator Butler wants to breach a promise that was perfectly clear even though some G.O.P. candidates avoided making it explicitly. A matter of fundamental political honor is involved. So is a matter of the most crucial national policy. For, as a host of voters remember even if Senator Butler does not, Republican high-tariff policies between 1920 and 1932 greased the skids toward the greatest depression and greatest war.

Merry Christmas!

WHERE HANGS OUR HOPE

A Visit From St. Nicholas

On Christmas Eve in 1822, according to tradition, a quiet scholar of ancient languages sat down before supper, and in an hour or so scribbled off a verse which he read to his children as a gift. So Clement Clarke Moore, professor of Greek and Oriental literature at a New York seminary, conceived of St. Nick as a ruddy, happy cherubic citizen of the world who distributed gifts with sleigh and reindeer.

Moore is said to have been ashamed of his jingle. He was then known chiefly as the author of a vast "Compendious Lexicon of the Hebrew Language" and other scholarly works. His poem, based on the legend of the early Christian bishop St. Nikolaas, was first published anonymously and did not appear under his name until his collected poems were printed 20 years later. But for more than a century his little ballad has been read and loved by children whenever "'Twas the night before Christmas."

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap,
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below,
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;
'Now, *Dasher!* now, *Dancer!* now, *Prancer* and *Vixen!*
On, *Comet!* on, *Cupid!* on, *Donder* and *Blitzen!*
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too.
And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound,
He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.
His eyes—how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose;
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night."

Gov. Arnall's Credo

THE SHORE DIMLY SEEN, by Ellis Gibbs Arnall. (J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia.)

Georgia's startling 39-year-old Governor has certain stuff of greatness, quite apart from the spectacular quality that keeps him in headlines and the sheer luck of a death which may make him Governor beyond his appointed term. His deeds are large—as, for example, his giving 18-year-olds the vote and his unfinished joust with the railroads and the ICC. His book bespeaks fertile imagination and bold undertaking along with pointed wit and a gift for expression.

Arnall admires Franklin Roosevelt as a great politician and hero. Especially, he warms to F. D. R.'s craft in giving children of modern insecurity faith in themselves. Arnall shows some of the same craft.

New Dealer that he is, he also espouses Woodrow Wilson's New Freedom. The difference is material. Roosevelt was not so much a man of unfailing principle as a great player-by-ear. Without sensing the violence, he attacked freedom in NRA at the same time that he was enlarging it elsewhere. He could embrace bad means for noblest ends—and so lose the ends. He sometimes thought of men in masses.

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Remote idealist though Wilson was, the individual was always his hero, and his ends demanded good means. Arnall concurs. Too many, he writes, "believe that the happiness of one man is the minute subdivision of the happiness of all men, rather than . . . that the happiness of all men is the sum total of each man's happiness. . . . Freedom cannot be divided."

And yet—like Roosevelt, like the Wallaces—he offers some of the patent panaceas of the "liberals" who are not liberal. In this respect he still lacks an inner consistency. That consistency will come is strongly suggested. His credo is as profoundly American as "The Star-Spangled Banner," from which his title is drawn. His broad but easy-fitting historical scholarship is a delight.

For a youthful modern, he has a remarkable hold on human tradition. Thus the finest thing in his book is his discussion of the backwoods preacher who told him: "Everything you do today, or I do, affects not only what is going to happen but what has already happened, years and centuries ago. Maybe you can't change what has passed, but you can change the meaning of all that has passed. You can even take all the meaning away. That is why we have to be careful all the time."

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He makes repeated sport of those who decry Southern racism while conveniently overlooking acts of anti-Semitic vandalism in the North. But he won his right to do so by the vigor with which he abolished the poll tax and attacked the KKK. And his targets had left themselves open.

With the death of Governor-elect Eugene Talmadge, who came near to being Arnall's diametrical opposite, the question is in the courts whether the Arnall Deal will go on. If so, it is Georgia's good fortune. Arnall, as his book tacitly admits, aspires to the national stage. If he fulfills his very substantial promise, he is likely to play an important role when the progressive forces again win control of the Federal power.

HENRY B. KLINE.

Historical Studies of the Scriptures

THE WESTMINSTER HISTORICAL ATLAS TO THE BIBLE, edited by George Ernest Wright and Floyd Vivian Filson. (The Westminster Press, Philadelphia.)

THE WESTMINSTER DICTIONARY OF THE BIBLE, by John D. Davis, revised by Henry Snyder Gehman. (The Westminster Press, Philadelphia.)

Scholars of ancient languages and works at Princeton, Johns Hopkins and McCormick Theological Seminary have produced these encyclopedic reference works on the Scriptures. Both have many maps, illustrations, charts and pictures.

MARQUIS CHILDS

Alice, the Queen and the Presidential Aspirants

THE candidates and the non-candidates have been getting a great deal of advice ever since the rash of presidential statements which happened, by one of those odd political coincidences, to come out all in a rush, like a case of the political measles.

Senator Vandenberg would certainly have changed his timing if he had known in advance that Senator Taft intended to make his statement in Atlanta. The two renunciations coming together strained public credulity to the breaking point. On top of that came Gov. Dewey's side-stepping.

Vandenberg feels that he has suffered from this burst of coyness. He is hurt that people, and particularly political writers, do not take him at his word.

Taft's Press Agent.

The Taft camel is, of course, harder to swallow than the Vandenberg gnat. After all, the Ohio Senator has for a long time been making all the gestures of a candidate. His complaint is that he gets credit for moves on the political chessboard with which he has had no connection at all. One such move, about which he insists he knew nothing in advance, was the dismissal of Miss Marion Martin as head of the women's division of the Republican National Committee.

Taft has recently engaged a very able public relations representative who has opened an office in downtown Washington. The Senator from Ohio, it is explained, so often finds his views misrepresented in the press that he feels compelled to try to give the public the true Taft essence. Presumably in collaboration with his new high-powered assistant, Taft will write several magazine articles for which he has already contracted.

Stassen Gets Advice.

Vandenberg's friends have pointed out to him that he might have said what General Sherman said in 1871, when he deliberately and finally shattered a presidential boom by declaring that, if nominated, he would not run, and if elected, he would not serve. The Senator's reply is that no American can say that; that while it might do for a soldier who felt that politics was completely out of his field, it would not be becoming in a politician who might have to recognize that the office was seeking the man.

By contrast, former Gov. Stassen's frank declaration had an honest and forthright sound. We like a man who is bold enough to come out and say what he is after.

Yet Stassen, too, has been receiving a wealth of advice from the experts. The more solemn advisers are saying, "Tut, tut, young man, the way to run for the presidency is by not running."

Story From "Alice."

It calls to mind that famous race in "Alice Through the Looking Glass," when Alice was seized by the Red Queen and they went running off.

"Now! Now!" cried the queen. "Faster! Faster!" and they went so fast that at last they seemed to skim through the air, hardly touching the ground with their feet, till suddenly, just as Alice was getting quite exhausted, they stopped and she found herself sitting on the ground breathless and giddy.

The queen propped her up against a tree, and said kindly, "You may rest a little now."

Alice looked around her in great surprise. "Why, I do believe we've been under this tree the whole time! Everything's just as it was!"

"Of course it is," said the queen. "What would you have it?"

"Well, in our country," said Alice, still panting a little, "you'd generally get to somewhere—if you ran very fast for a long time, as we've been doing."

"A slow sort of country," said the queen. "Now here, you see, it takes all the running you can do to keep in the same place. If you want to get somewhere else, you must run at least twice as fast as that."

Honesty vs. Coyness.

The wonderland that Alice dreamed of was not nearly so wacky as the order of things in this, our own country. To get somewhere, i.e., the presidency, you must not run. By running, if you accept the word of some of the more pontificial experts, you will get nowhere at all. And they cite you verse and chapter, with even the exceptions thrown in.

But political precedents are made only to be broken. Stassen is likely to gain much more by his frankness than by an obviously contrived effort to be coy. His position as the challenger, the David who steps up to the venerable Goliaths of the Republican party, calls for boldness. In his statement, Stassen made an honest beginning that should win him new friends.

WALTER LIPPMANN

The Sticking Point

THOUGH there is a difference, as the Canadian delegate has argued, between the UN resolution and the American proposals, the difference is more apparent than it is real.

All are agreed that the treaty must be approved by the governments that sign it. Until they sign and ratify, they have what is now called "a veto"—a new name for the old right of any sovereign government to reject a treaty it does not like. The whole policy of the United States is based on this veto: we will not sign a treaty which we do not think is a good treaty.

All are agreed—particularly since Mr. Molotov's recent speech—that all who sign the treaty are bound by what the treaty says. The Russians do not contend that, having agreed to a treaty, they or anyone else can by the veto refuse to observe or to enforce the treaty.

Yet on this point there appears to be a difference. What is the difference? What is the sticking point? I venture to think that it is in the difficulty of writing a treaty which is so detailed and so specific that every important dispute is clearly foreseen in advance and a rule is laid down in the treaty which governs it.

Russians vs. U. S.

The Russians, foreseeing a treaty which will leave open many points that will have to be settled as they arise, do not wish to agree in advance that these points shall be settled by majority vote. The settlement of the unsettled points is the same thing as writing a supplementary treaty. They do not wish to agree in advance that they must approve them if they are outvoted. They expect to be outvoted.

We, on the other hand, feel that if each of the unsettled points has to be settled unanimously, the whole system may become stalled. Therefore, Mr. Baruch has been contending that they be settled by some kind of majority vote.

What Kind of Treaty?

How successfully this difference is actually resolved will depend primarily on how specific and inclusive a treaty can be written. If the treaty covered every conceivable point for the whole future, stating exactly what is commanded and what prohibited, how and by whom each violation is to be detected, determined, judged, and punished, then the veto after the treaty would cease to exist altogether. If, on the other hand, the treaty is not inclusive, is vague, is general, lacks specific definition, then on all points that remain unsettled, the veto of the great powers will, however, one disguises it, remain substantial.

As a matter of fact, in view of the excellent progress made in the commission, there is every reason to think that the treaty will not be mere generalities. Yet the real question is still how definite can the treaty be made, how clearly can it define the likely violations, how specifically can it state who is to detect them, who is to prove them, what is to be the penalty if proven.

No Ordinary Treaty.

This treaty cannot be an ordinary contract among governments. It will have to be something much bigger than that: it will have to contain, or provide for, a body of international and national civil and criminal laws. For example: the Atomic Authority, which we propose, is to have "the exclusive right to carry on atomic research for destructive purposes" and "atomic research for peaceful purposes by national agencies shall be subject to appropriate safeguards established by the international authority."

To put this into effect, after it has been agreed to in a treaty, every nation will have to enact comprehensive legislation, much of which amends its existing laws. The treaty will have to define this legislation, and almost certainly it will have to say that the treaty has not been ratified until the legislation has been enacted.

The Real Answer.

We must not think, as perhaps we often do, merely of a treaty which, if there is a charge of violation, has to be enforced by the Security Council. The enforcement will require a vast and complex and new body of laws in all countries—laws dealing with property rights, with mining, with patents, with the legal status of atomic officials and employes, with atomic bootlegging, and with no end of other matters.

The doing of this enormously difficult but immensely inspiring work of law making is the real answer to the problem of the veto. For the essence of the veto is that it exists wherever there is as yet no law and no specific agreement. The veto disappears, not by renouncing it, but as and when and where laws become definite and agreements specific.

FRISCO AND BANK OFFICIALS TO SIGN 100,000 PAPERS

Two officers of the Frisco Railroad and an officer of the Mercantile-Commerce Bank & Trust Co. will sign 100,000 separate instruments in connection with the reorganization plan for the railroad in which the bank was named as trustee under the first mortgage, it was announced today.

Officers will use signature machines which sign 20 pieces at one time. It is estimated that one officer will be able to sign 50,000 pieces in one day.

The bank will send a staff of officials and clerks to New York to authenticate the original issue of first mortgage bonds. Such bonds total $73,385,300.

BRICKER QUITS PRESIDENCY RACE, OHIO PAPER SAYS

Decision Said to Make State's G.O.P. Delegation Sure for Taft—Announcement Soon.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Columbus Dispatch said today that former Gov. John W. Bricker would not seek the Republican presidential nomination in 1948, but would support United States Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio for that honor.

The Dispatch, announcing it had learned from "unimpeachable sources" that Senator-elect Bricker had "given the green light" to Taft, said:

"The Senator-elect, it was learned, will not contest for delegates in Ohio, which virtually assured the delegation will be pledged unanimously to Senator Taft in the party's convention.

"Similarly, his decision means that he will not seek delegates in any other state."

Bricker, it was said, will make a formal announcement in January after a conference he has arranged with Senator Taft.

Bricker declined to confirm or deny the story.

"I have nothing to say about it," was all he said.

Taft announced in Washington last night that he and Bricker would sit down together soon to decide which would bid for the Ohio delegation to the Republican national convention.

Wants to Finish Term.

The Dispatch said the decision of the 1944 vce presidential nominee not to contest for convention delegates "stems from a desire to serve the full six years in the United States Senate, upon the belief that he can render greater srvice in that capacity."

The news took by surprise political observers in the Ohio capital. They had considered Bricker to be an almost certain contender for the presidential nomination.

Taft told a reporter yesterday that he and Bricker — each of whom has bowed out of the other's way in two successive bids for the nomination—will try to work out an agreement.

Bricker stepped aside in 1940 and Taft in 1944, when Bricker became the vice presidential nominee.

Taft's announcement that he and Bricker would go into a huddle shortly after the latter is sworn in as Senator Jan. 3 came after Bricker's friends had said in Columbus that he wanted the matter settled soon.

The two already have discussed the matter briefly but reached no agreement, Taft said.

His announcement of the forthcoming conference came at a time when Republican colleagues of the two Senators seemed to be drifting into deeper trouble in their efforts to line up working assignments for the new Senate.

Democrat Quits Whip Post.

Meanwhile, Senator Hill, Alabama, stepped quietly out of his post as Democratic whip, leaving the field open for several possible candidates.

Hill dictated a statement to a reporter in which he observed that since control of the Senate passes to the Republicans in the new Congress, he believes he can serve the people of his state better by not becoming minority whip.

FOURTH REPUBLIC OF FRANCE BEGINS FORMAL EXISTENCE

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ern and southern Indochina, and charged them with using their planes to bomb women and children.

The French high commissioner for Indochina, Adm. George Thierry d'Argenlieu, reached the scene yesterday to take personal command and Marius Moutet, Blum's colonial minister, was on the way.

The French press agency reported the 10,000-ton French cruiser Duquesne, carrying parachutist units, left Algiers for Indochina.

REDS CRITICIZE SPELLMAN, HARRIMAN, WELLES, HALSEY

MOSCOW, Dec. 24 (AP)—R. Moran, writing in the Government newspaper Izvestia today charged that Cardinal Francis Spellman of New York was carrying on an "anti-Soviet crusade." He cited a Cosmopolitan magazine article by the Cardinal which he said voiced an appeal to save "the cross of civilization," endangered by Soviet policies in Europe.

The political journal Bolshevik criticized Secretary of Commerce W. Averell Harriman, former United States Ambassador to Moscow; Sumner Welles, former Under Secretary of State; and Adm. William F. Halsey, wartime commander of the United States Third Fleet.

Harriman and Welles were accused of lending their influence to what Bolshevik called a campaign in the American press to "process the American public in anti-Soviet spirit." Halsey was called a "contemporary American imperialist" because he said the United States Navy would go wherever it pleased.

DR. CECIL E. BARNETT DIES

Dr. Cecil E. Barnett, city physician of Kirkwood for 20 years, died at St. Mary's Hospital last night, an hour and a half after entering the hospital for treatment of a heart condition. He was 54 years old. His offices were at 243 West Jefferson avenue, Kirkwood.

He lived on Lockett lane, near Dougherty Ferry road, Kirkwood, with his wife, Mrs. Ruth Barnett, and their three children, William, Joseph and Audrey. Three sons by former marriages, Cecil E. Jr., Julian and Normand, also survive.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

SEVEN girls, daughters of unrelated families, a record in the annals of St. Louis social history, made their debuts together last night at one of the brilliant balls of the first postwar season. Mass debuts are not uncommon in New York, where dances of the exclusive Assembly and charity functions are often mediums for multiple social presentations, nor in Baltimore, at the Bachelors Cotillion. But until last night's party not more than a pair of sisters, occasionally two cousins, and on one occasion four young women, two of them sisters, have ever made their bows together in St. Louis.

The setting was the St. Louis Country Club, festive for the holiday season with laurel, poinsettias and holly, and in addition with numerous bouquets sent to the guests of honor. The debutantes, most of them daughters of debutantes of a generation ago, were Miss Gloria Mae Bixby, daughter of the Donald Church Bixbys; Miss Sally Keyes, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Lawrence Keyes; Miss Lucia King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hopkins King; Miss Alice McAfee, daughter of the James Wesley McAfees; Miss Grace Wallace Niedringhaus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Niedringhaus; Miss Lenore Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Wetmore, and Miss Elizabeth Bradlee Wight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Wight Jr.

Heralded on a poster in the foyer as the "World Premiere of St. Louis Women, Playing to Standing Room Only," the party filled the entire club, each room of which was devoted to a separate type of entertainment. Instead of a receiving line of 21, an unprecedented number, the guests of honor received alone, standing at the great white fireplace in the dining room, which was converted for the occasion into a living room. Their parents mingled with the guests in the same room and were greeted informally.

Even the grandmothers of the girls held small courts of their own. Mrs. George W. Niedringhaus, Mrs. Samuel L. Geisinger, Mrs. Goodman King, Mrs. Cecil D. Gregg, Mrs. Mahlon B. Wallace, Mrs. Charles McLure Clark and Mrs. Arthur B. Shepley commanded almost as much attention as their granddaughters.

Dancing was held largely in the east lounge, where Russ David and a 20-piece band played from 10 o'clock until early morning on a grass-covered dais at the doors of the card room. Decorations were concentrated on the enclosed terrace. Christmas trees, lighted in white, stood in the four corners and reached the midnight blue ceiling overhead. White garden tables with matching benches were covered with bright red, as was the long buffet table and its adjoining side tables set in a white alcove opposite the door. From the center of the ceiling hung a giant ball of holly, mistletoe and cedar, secured by green garlands and scarlet ribbon. In this room supper—hams, turkeys and roast pig surrounded by epergnes of fruit—was served from 1 o'clock until well after 3.

Between dances the younger guests wandered into the private dining room where, in a red and white setting, garden furniture was set up. Red and white printed draperies hung at the windows and a red bar was flanked by color-colorful trees.

The seven debutantes were all in white and carried identical muffs made of crisp white ruffles adorned with great red cabbage roses. Miss Bixby, Miss Keyes, Miss McAfee and Miss Clark wore tulle gowns glistening with silver sequins, while costumes for Miss King and Miss Wight were of stiff silk taffeta.

Miss Cunningham to Be Wed.

AT a luncheon for debutantes yesterday at the home of Mrs. Brenton G. Van Cleave, 625 South Skinker boulevard, announcement was made of the engagement of Miss Lynn Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barclay W. Cunningham, to Stephen Douglas B. Houser Jr. The marriage is planned for the spring.

Yesterday's luncheon, at which there were 25 guests, honored Miss Cunningham and three of her contemporaries, Miss Judith Gamble, Miss Nancy McMillan and Miss Marietta McWilliams. Later in the day the Cunninghams entertained a few members of the younger set for cocktails and in the evening gave a family dinner.

The bride-to-be, who is home for the holidays from Smith College, where she is a senior, received her preparatory education at Mary Institute. A maid of honor at the Veiled Prophet ball this season, she made her debut with Miss McWilliams at a dance at the University Club. She has one brother, Mitchell Cunningham. Her grandparents are Mrs. Thomas O. Cunningham of Kansas City and the late Mr. Cunningham and the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Mitchell of Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Houser is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Douglas B. Houser, 6470 Ellenwood avenue. A former student at St. Louis Country Day School, he was graduated from Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn., and attended Yale University before entering the Marine Air Corps. A pilot, he was discharged as a captain after four and one-half years' service, both in the Pacific and the United States. The brother of Mrs. Stuart Hoxton Smith, Mrs. Albert Henry Bell Jr. and James Garesche Houser, he is a grandson of Mrs. Edmond A. B. Garesche of the Gatesworth Hotel and the late Mr. Garesche and the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel M. Houser. His fraternity at Yale was Chi Psi. Mr. Houser returned Friday night from Harvard where he is doing graduate work at Littauer Center of Public Administration.

CURRAN QUITS POST ON JOINT UNION GROUP

Says He Will Recommend Withdrawal of His Maritime Organization.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Joseph Curran, president of the CIO National Maritime Union, announced today he had submitted his resignation as co-chairman of the Committee for Maritime Unity, an organization of CIO seamen's unions formed to present a common front in negotiations with shipowners on both coasts.

Curran declined to give the reason for his move, saying an explanation would be contained in an official announcement later today at NMU headquarters here.

He said he sent telegrams tendering his resignation last night to Harry Bridges, head of the International Longshoremen's Union, and to the heads of the four other unions making up the CMU.

Asked whether his resignation would mean the withdrawal of the NMU from the committee, Curran said he would recommend such action but that the final word rested with the union membership that voted for affiliation with the CMU.

It was reported that Curran's telegrams said he was resigning because of "dissatisfaction with the structure of the Committee for Maritime Unity."

Other members of the CMU are the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, the Marine Cooks and Stewards, the Inland Boatman's Union and the American Communications Association.

A spokesman for Bridges said in San Francisco that union heads had no immediate comment on Curran's move.

The CMU was conceived by Curran and Bridges last April and was organized the following month with Bridges telling the assembled Maritime Union officials that "from now on we must work on a unified national basis. There can no longer be such a thing as a local union or a local strike."

6000 G.I.S ARRIVE IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—More than 6000 American soldiers arrived from Europe today and 2000 others were expected tonight. The troops who reached port, all casuals from Germany, went to Camp Kilmer, N.J.

They will receive special passes for Christmas eve and Christmas day. The three ships which brought them were the Gen. M. B. Stewart, the Gen. Omar Bundy and the Gen. Pope.

The Newbern Victory and the Stevens Victory were expected to arrive tonight and dock Christmas morning.

MAN HELD IN ABDUCTION CASE NOT LEGALLY INSANE

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 (AP)—Dr. William H. Haines said a metal examination of Frank L. Sickles, 27 years old, held without charge in the abduction of a Dixon, Ill., physician's wife, showed he was a psychopath but "not legally insane." Sickles was brought here by Lee county State's Attorney Morey Pires for examination at the Illinois neuropsychiatric institute by Dr. Haines, director of the Cook county behaviour clinic; Dr. Harry R. Hoffman, director of the institute, and Dr. Ralph C. Hamill, University of Illinois professor of nervous diseases.

Dr. Haines said the three found Sickles "is a type of psychopath who would be a menace to society whenever free but is not legally insane."

Pires has announced a charge of kidnapping for ransom will be placed against Sickles. The prosecutor has said Sickles, dishonorably discharged soldier and former factory worker at Wyoming, Ill., has signed a statement that he abducted Mrs. Della Stackhouse, 40, after first trying to rob her home Friday night. The woman, wife of Dr. Stirling Stackhouse, was released unharmed five hours later.

TRUMAN TENTATIVELY PICKS JAN. 6 AS DAY FOR MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—President Truman today tentatively picked Monday, Jan. 6, to deliver to Congress his annual message on "the state of the Union."

Whether he will deliver the message in person was not announced.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross told reporters that the present program, subject to revision, calls for a message on economic affairs two days later, followed by a third message submitting the Government's budget for the year beginning July 1. But these two might be reversed, Ross added.

LEO A. JUTZ COLLAPSES, DIES IN AUTO AFTER ACCIDENT

Leo Anthony Jutz, assistant secretary and treasurer of the Mound City Paint & Color Co., 202 South Ninth street, collapsed and died at the wheel of his automobile in the 1000 block of Olive street today. His automobile struck another car, both cars sustaining minor damages.

Police used an inhalator on Jutz without effect. Jutz, 46 years old, resided at 7421 Amherst avenue, University City.

Births by Altar Candle Light.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Two pre-Christmas babies were "doing fine" in Misericordia Hospital today after they were born by the light of altar candles. When power failed last night and the lights went out, candles were obtained from the hospital altar.

RUSSIANS WITHIN RIGHTS IN DAIREN ACTION, U.S. SAYS

Report of 20-Minute 'Get Out' Order to American Vessel 'Substantially Correct.'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (UP)—A State Department spokesman said today that Russian military authorities acted within Soviet legal rights in ordering a United Manchurian port of Dairen, Dec. 20 after its authorized 48-hour stay had expired.

He said there was "substantial accuracy" to a newspaper dispatch saying the Russians had given the ship a 20-minute "get out" order.

"The department has received a preliminary report regarding the United States courier ship which recently visited Dairen," the spokesman said. "This report confirms the substantial accuracy of William H. Newton's story. The purpose of the trip was to bring supplies and diplomatic mail to the consulate general at Dairen.

Clearance Granted Courier.

"The Soviet authorities were notified in accordance with established routine and the vessel was granted the usual permission to say in port 48 hours. The courier, Harris H. Ball, was allowed to transact his official business without hindrance, having received prior clearance for authority to land. But clearance was not requested for the two newspaper correspondents and the American business man.

"Upon arrival of the vessel at Dairen, Consul General H. Merrell Benninghoff attempted to obtain clearance locally for Mr. Jesse Poole, representative of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., and for Mr. Newton and a Life photographer.

"Mr. Benninghoff was unable to do so inasmuch as the local authorities at Dairen stated they were unable to authorize the entrance of these people without clearance from Moscow. Having failed in the attempt to obtain clearance, the ship left two hours after its original 48-hour stay had expired.

Port Under Soviet Control.

"Dairen, under terms of the Sino-Soviet treaty of August 1945, is to be a free commercial port under Chinese administration, but the Soviet and Chinese governments have not yet made arrangements for the assumption of Chinese control. Pending the conclusion of these arrangements, Dairen remains under Soviet military control.

"It has been the hope of this Government that the Chinese and Soviets would be able to work out these arrangements for a transfer of control, but we recognize that that is a matter to be handled by those two governments."

The spokesman said in response to questions that the State Department would await a full report before any action is considered.

(Newton, in a second dispatch, said the Russians retain full control of Dairen under a clause in the Chinese-Soviet pact which says, "Dairen . . . shall be subject to military supervision or control only in case of war against Japan." Technically, China and Russia are still at war with Japan until a peace treaty is signed.)

BLIND BOY FIGHTING CANCER IS FACING DISMAL CHRISTMAS

Gary Hayden, 5-year-old East St. Louis boy, blind and suffering occasional headaches as a result of a cancer that physicians had thought would end his life before Christmas, was home today, at 836 North Fifty-first street, but Christmas eve meant little to him.

He had been too ill to attend a Christmas party arranged for him Dec. 1 when it had been hoped that he might celebrate early with his playmates. However, he was able to help trim an early Christmas tree and to enjoy some of his gifts.

His condition remained unchanged during the last few days. He became blind earlier this month when still a patient at St. Mary's Hospital, East St. Louis. One eye had been removed in an unsuccessful effort to check the cancer, which also blinded his other eye and now threatens his life.

$24,000 EMPLOYES' BONUS

Christmas bonuses totaling $24,100 will be paid the employes of Miss Hulling's Cafeterias, Inc., this year, S. R. Apted, vice president and general manager, announced today.

Another St. Louis firm, Schroeder & Tremaine, Inc., 1711 Delmar boulevard, has announced bonuses equaling two weeks' pay to its 100 employes in St. Louis, New York, Chicago and Montreal. The company sells sponges and chamois at wholesale. The gifts totaled $10,000, an official said.

In Dairen Case

COMDR. EDGAR YATES
Senior officer aboard a United States vessel which the Russians ordered from Dairen.

—Associated Press Wirephotos.

WILLIAM H. NEWTON
One of two American newspaper men who were not permitted to debark at Dairen.

'GLASS MENAGERIE' RETURNS; PAULINE LORD HEADS CAST

"The Glass Menagerie," Tennessee Williams's drama with a St. Louis setting, returned last night to the American Theater for a six-day engagement. It had the same four players in the cast, headed by Pauline Lord in the role of the mother.

Reanalysis of the play again confirms the evidences of Eddie Dowling's wise direction, and the deft under-statement of her role by Miss Lord, whose characteristic monotone delivery, with its cadence irregularly broken in the middle of sentences, sets an appropriate minor key, along with the dim lights and drab setting, for this story of a family of three neurotics undergoing the suffocation of a mean and frustrated existence.

Richard Jones again was quite effective as the son. Edward Andrews, as the "gentleman caller," had the audience with him from the start.

TRUMAN AT FAREWELL PARTY FOR ONE OF HIS ASSISTANTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—President Truman dropped in today on an office party for one of his special assistants, Edwin A. Locke Jr., who is leaving soon to join the executive staff of the Chase National Bank in New York.

Locke, who has offices in the State Department, although he is a member of the White House group, was being entertained by his office force and friends at a combined Christmas party and get-together when Mr. Truman strolled over from the White House. After chatting a few minutes the President returned to his own office.

3 FILE FOR EAST ST. LOUIS COMMISSIONER NOMINATIONS

Three candidates filed for nomination as East St. Louis commissioners on the first date for filing yesterday.

They were Thomas J. Godfrey, 528 North Eighteenth street, an AFL union organizer and retired foundry worker; Chauncey J. Haas, 1717 Belmont avenue, a railroad clerk, and Charles Johnson, 1464 Hall street, an employe of the Aluminum Ore Co.

At the primary election Feb. 11 eight candidates will be nominated for commissioner and two for mayor. Four commissioners and the mayor will be elected April 1.

MISS IDA LEE SHARP FUNERAL

Private funeral services for Miss Ida Lee Sharp, a teacher here for 37 years, were held today from the home of her niece, Mrs. James Macnaughtan Jr., 7438 Teasdale avenue, University City. Burial was in Bellefontaine Cemetery.

Miss Sharp, who was 80 years old, died yesterday of infirmities of age at the Lutheran Convalescent Home, 4359 Taft avenue, where she had lived for two years. She retired in 1940 after service at the Riddick, Gratiot, Ashland, Arlington and Stoddard schools. She is survived by two brothers, James C. and George W. Sharp.

FHA LIBERALIZES FINANCING FOR RENTAL HOUSING

More Controls Scrapped—Regulations on Some Other Items Also Are Dropped.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Federal Housing Agency last night announced liberalized financing for builders of rental housing simultaneously with the removal of several controls over the housing industry.

In liberalizing rental housing financing, FHA reduced the monthly carrying charges on FHA-insured mortgages, which had the effect of extending the average period of maturity for such mortgages from 27 years and 7 months to 32 years and 7 months on the basis of a 4 per cent interest rate. The reduction was made by lowering the 2 per cent initial minimum principal payment to 1½ per cent, with subsequent principal payments reduced accordingly.

FHA also announced that it had broadened eligibility standards for this type of mortgage insurance, permitting loans for elevator and corridor type apartment houses among other things.

The agency said too that it would provide a means for adjusting its insurance commitments to meet fluctuating construction costs and was studying means to protect builders against decreased earnings after the current housing shortage is relieved.

Other Controls Dropped.

The action was one of a series in which Government agencies scrapped a series of industrial controls in a pre-holiday speed-up of President Truman's decontrol program.

Besides stripping several controls from the veterans emergency housing program and relaxing FHA rules for rental housing projects, the Government also junked distribution controls over penicillin; mandatory priorities for installation of telephone service; limitations on the use of tinplate; a prohibition against importation of cane spirits, and wholesale and retail inventory controls on a number of items of clothing.

Removal of controls over distribution of tinplate will permit unlimited use of the material to make tin cans for such food items as shortening, coffee, beer and pet foods and such non-food products as turpentine, paint, liquid soap and polishes.

Cut in Temporary Program.

The Federal Public Housing Administration disclosed today that it has ordered a cutback of approximately 12,000 units in its program of temporary veterans housing because of rising material and labor costs. Projects sponsored by scores of cities and colleges will be affected.

This is the second major shrinkage of the program, which was planned early this year to provide 200,000 temporary dwelling units for veterans out of a $445,000,000 fund provided by two congressional appropriations. This goal was exclusive of projects financed by municipalities and educational institutions to reconvert surplus Government buildings, such as barracks, into housing units.

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Eddie Miller, Discouraged Over Ailing Arm, Says He's Quitting Game

Retirement Hard Blow To Redland

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24 (AP)—Eddie Miller, recognized as one of baseball's best shortstops during his four years' service with the Cincinnati Reds, plans to hang up his spikes for good.

Announcing his retirement last night, he said he was quitting because he was "worried about the condition of my arm and also annoyed by my inability to hit for a a respectable average." He said his sore right arm, which kept him on the bench for a good part of last season, was not responding properly to medical treatment.

Stayed Out of All-Star Game.

He batted only .194 in 91 games in 1946.

Miller, never much of a hitter, led the National League shortstops in fielding three years and won nomination to three All-star teams. He was picked for the All-Star game last season, but asked to be excused so he could rest his arm.

The star infielder, who is 30, said he planned to enter business, but would not discuss its nature. He lives with his wife and three sons on a 30-acre farm near here which formerly was the site of a chicken dinner establishment. Miller denied he planned to become a restaurant operator.

He said he had notified Warren Giles, president of the Reds, of his intentions, and also had asked Baseball Commissioner A. B. Chandler to put him on baseball's voluntary retired list. Giles had no comment.

It's Not the Pay, He Says.

Agile Eddie said he would "like to point out that my decision to retire was not prompted by any salary differences with the club. If I were staying in baseball, I don't know of a club I would rather play for than the Reds. Mr. Giles offered to pay me the same salary (in 1947) I received last year."

One of Cincinnati's higher-salaried players, Miller reportedly received $15,000 in 1946. The Reds acquired him in the fall of 1942 in a deal with the Boston Braves that sent Eddie Joost, Nate Andrews and an undisclosed amount of cash to Beantown.

The Reds currently have only two players to fill Miller's spot: His replacement last season, Claude Corbitt, who was obtained on waivers from the Brooklyn Dodgers, and Kermit Wahl, former Indiana University star who was with Syracuse of the International League in 1946.

Chandler Quizzed Lippy About Big Money Dice Game.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 24 (UP)—Baseball Commissioner A. B. (Happy) Chandler has admitted asking Leo (Lippy) Durocher for an explanation following columnist Westbrook Pegler's report of an alleged big money dice game in the New York apartment of the Brooklyn manager.

Chandler said yesterday he talked with Durocher for more than two hours on Nov. 22, in Oakland, Calif.

"Although the incident referred to by Pegler and other columnists was reported to have happened in March 1944, more than a year before I became commissioner," Chandler said, "I felt it my duty to investigate any report or rumor than anyone connected with baseball was involved in any gambling activity."

The commissioner would not comment on what action, if any, was taken as a result of his conference with Durocher, nor would he discuss any other conversations of their meeting.

He would not comment on a report that he had ordered Durocher out of the Hollywood home of movie actor George Raft.

California, Here We Are

—Associated Press Wirephoto.

When Illinois's Western Conference champions arrived in Alhambra, Calif., yesterday to put on the finishing touches for the Rose Bowl game, they were greeted by NORMA CHRISTOPHER, queen of the Tournament of Roses. She is shown giving End JOE BUSCEMI, right, of the Illini a slice of orange—California orange, that is. Center MAC WENSKUNAS is among those looking on.

'Work and More Work' On Illini Bowl Schedule

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 24 (UP)—Ray Eliot ordered secret and hard scrimmage sessions for his Illinois football team today and said his Christmas eve message to his players would be four words:

"Work and more work."

"Of course," the coach of the Big Nine champions added, "I'm going to give them tomorrow off. But right now it looks like I'll have them out twice a day Thursday and Friday, because we are far below form and work is the only thing which will get us in shape for U.C.L.A."

Tomorrow—Christmas day—and Sunday are the only off-days in Eliot's schedule, although the drills next Monday and Tuesday will be light ones.

"We haven't had an outdoor workout since the Northwestern game the last Saturday of November," Eliot explained. "So my boys need contact drill.

"Besides, they have to get used to this climate."

Climate Major Concern.

The climate was the only major concern of the Illini gridders when they left a train late yesterday and went to a practice field to work out.

They complained they had trouble breathing in the rainy California atmosphere, but expressed confidence that it was only a minor item they would be able to overcome by New Year's day and the Rose Bowl game against U.C.L.A.

Eliot said that his team, while below playing condition, was in good shape so far as injuries were concerned, and that with the exception of quarterback Bernie Kruger his club should be at peak strength for this first game in the five-year Rose Bowl pact between the Western and Pacific Coast conferences.

He expects to start Isiah Owens and Sam Zatkoff at ends, Alex Agase and John Wrenn at guards, Lou Agase and Bob Cunz at tackles, Mac Wenskunas at center and Perry Moss, Buddy Young, Julius Rykovich and Russ Steger in the backfield.

May Be Some Changes.

"But there may be some changes," he added. " I might have to make some shifts to get more weight into my team, for we are only going to average about 191 pounds in the line against U.C.L.A.'s 213, and our backfield is going to be lighter, too."

He indicated that if the going is muddy he will call on more beef, emphasizing that he was hoping for a dry field so he could make use of his speed.

UCLA's stock dropped when the condition of tackle Don Malmberg became problematical. Malmberg reported yesterday with a bad hip injury and may not be able to start. He is one of the key men in Coach Bert Labruchere's line.

Like Eliot, Labruchere will give his squad Christmas day and Sunday off but there will be drill sessions every other day.

Fans Kick Over Traces.

PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 24 (AP)—Disappointed ticket seekers to the Rose Bowl game kicked over the traces yesterday when the ticket booths closed two hours after they opened, and for a time a score of policemen had their hands full trying to quell a riot.

Pop bottles were fired at the officers and many in the crowd of 6000, some of whom had camped in line since last Saturday night, marched on the Tournament of Roses offices downtown, demanding to know why only 2000 of the 7000 tickets promised for the public sale actually were distributed.

W. C. Ackerman, graduate manager of athletics at the University of California at Los Angles, the host school, said he was unable to fulfill an agreement made to sell 7000 tickets. The Tournament of Roses said it had a contract with UCLA under which UCLA was to sell that number. Ackerman said there was an agreement, but no contract.

"All possible tickets were placed on sale," said Ackerman. "That there were fewer available than many persons anticipated is regrettable but nonetheless unavoidable."

Here is how Ackerman accounted for the ticket disbursement: 19,403 to UCLA students and faculty; 14,245 to UCLA alumni; 17,200 to the Tournament of Roses committee, which stages the game; 2950 to the Pacific Coast conference; 4790 to the press and radio; 12,500 to the University of Illinois; 6880 to the public (some in earlier sales); 3077 to veterans' hospitals; 3621 to players of the teams, coaches, holders of lifetime passes, etc., 4437 to police, firemen, hotels and others necessary in staging the game. This total is that of the Rose Bowl, 89,000 plus.

Rice and Trenn Tied.

Ben Rice and Phillip Trenn are the co-leaders in the O'Donnell three-cushion billiard tournament with an 8-1 record each. Bill Woolley has 7-2 for third place, followed by Ted Harris with 6-3. Davie Smith and Johnny Langenbach are tied with 5-3 apiece, while Bill Morris and Roger Kerper are also deadlocked for seventh place, 4-4. Joe Naugher and Floyd Chapman have 4-5 each, Dick Rice 1-6, Jim Hill 1-7, and Artie Nash 0-10.

Competition in the tourney will be resumed on Jan. 7 and in the meantime Connie O'Donnell plans a series of progressive holiday events.

HIGH ROLLERS

ST. ANTHONY'S.
Laclede Council K. of C.
Les Fahrman 215 — Greg Buehne 558
BEVO.
Dog House League.
Hy Held 234 — Hy Held 609
Ladies' League.
R. Kuhn 193 — H. Pucel 492
Early Birds.
Robert Simon 235 — Robert Simon 680
American Legion League No. 2.
A. Stroud 215 — A. Stroud 601
Emerson Electric.
R. Brewer 222
J. Fangmeier 222 — J. Fangmeier 508
ARWAY.
South Kingshighway Handicap.
J. Hackman 222 — J. Hackman 571
Ladies' Monday Night League.
A. Moske 205 — A. Moske 568
American Legion League.
E. McGrall 209 — J. Simovic 512
GRAND-PARK.
St. Louis Messenger Club.
C. Kahlert 223 — C. Kahlert 588
A. F. of L. Women.
G. Alcorn 190 — G. Batch 490
A. F. of L. Men.
G. Konrad 277 — G. Konrad 678
PERKIN'S PLAYDIUM.
Aluminum Ore Girls.
K. DeHoan 172 — K. Drennan 409
Playdium Ladies.
B. Voelker 190 — S. Nelson 497
Major Ladies.
I. M. Gotch 207 — I. M. Gotch 591
Three-Man League.
A. Lucido 227 — A. Lucido 587
Century Lanes.
Ladies' Junior League.
Virginia Gonzalez 190 — Gertrude Waschtler 467
Men's Monday Handicap.
Joe Shubic 234
Bill Adler 234 — Bill Fank 622
FAIRGROUNDS.
Beaumont High School Boys.
John Delphus 194 — Arthur Ball 545
Monday Night Ladies.
H. Neumann 203 — G. Simpson 566
Monday Night Men.
Joe Ramatoski 230 — Bob Seep 606
STUMHOFER'S.
Spivey League.
Ackerman 233 — Ackerman 552
Monday League.
J. Pillion 213 — J. Pillion 593
ST. LUKE'S.
Friday Men's Handicap.
H. Geldmeier 233 — R. Schmidt 621
St. Francis de Sales.
Monday Night Handicap.
A. Kuhlmann 197 — A. Kuhlmann 464
Young Men's League.
E. Hoeing 221 — E. Hoeing 546
IDLE-A-WILE LANES.
Idle-A-Wile Handicap.
E. Bergauer 223 — G. Scheer 615
SARATOGA ALLEYS.
Monday Night Mixed League.
Ruth Rice 222 — Ruth Rice 567
Men.
E. Ostendorf 255 — Ernie Green 561
County Handicap.
L. Stone 222
W. Benz 222 — L. Stone 576
CHEROKEE.
General American Life.
R. Nelson 208
J. Borgwald 208 — R. Aegerter 585
South Side Kiwanis.
M. Edler 202 — M. Edler 555
E. Quassenbarth 555

DELMAR.
Post-Dispatch League.
E. J. Reitz 236 — W. Rogers 630
Wabash Men.
B. Beck 245 — B. Beck 589
Wabash Girls.
P. Brooks 153 — B. Lehr 401
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.
Seventy-five Per Cent League.
V. Beckmann 234 — W. Gringer 618
SILVER SHIELD ALLEYS.
Vinita Women.
N. Campbell 185 — M. Stewart 498
St. John's Business Men.
D. Smith Jr. 228 — D. Smith Sr. 537
WELLSTON ALLEYS.
St. Ann's Ladies.
M. Meiners 172 — M. Meiners 448
St. Ann's Men.
J. Graffigna 221 — O. O'Connell 574
Overland Business Men.
E. Alt 233 — O. Matthews 593
DISTER BROTHERS.
Evangelical Girls.
M. Sefert 219 — M. Sefert 538
North St. Louis Tavern League.
W. Wilkerson 218 — J. Hart 565
FLORIS ALLEYS.
Ramsdale A.C. League.
G. Nicholas 199 — R. Karte 549
St. Adalbert's Church, Men.
F. Kowalski 200 — C. Lewandowski 572
St. Adalbert's Ladies.
G. Malecki 171 — E. Nowak 426
Ebenezer C.A.A.
A. Geisaking 234 — F. Ollinger 551
Floriss Ladies.
L. Fisher 191 — L. Fisher 494
Public Service League.
W. Love 239 — W. Love 612
DISTER'S.
Emerson Electric.
Sis Sinovich 174
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Flyers Recall Richardson From Coast Farm Club

By Harold Flachsbart

The Buffalo Bisons, champions of the American Hockey League as a result of a final playoff victory over Cleveland last spring, will make their first appearance of the current campaign in St. Louis tomorrow night, meeting the Flyers in a Christmas game at 8:15 o'clock.

Off to a poor start, the Bisons have recently hit their stride and have gained four consecutive victories. Their latest was a 1-0 shutout over the Springfield Indians Sunday night, Goalie Connie Dion's second whitewash job of the season. Dion started the season in the Flyer net a year ago, but was traded away and became a big factor in Buffalo's parade to the title.

The first step in the rebuilding of the Flyers was taken yesterday when it was announced that Center Stan Robertson had been sent on loan to the Minneapolis Millers of the United States League. In return the Millers will send Pete Wywrott to the Oakland Oaks, a farm club of the Flyers. These moves will enable the Flyers to recall Center Murray Richardson, who has been with the Oakland club since the start of the season.

Richardson showed promise at the Flyers' training camp last fall. Playing with Oakland, he has been a standout. On four occasions he has turned the "hat trick" of three goals in one game. Later, however, he was hospitalized with an attack of pneumonia and as a result missed 10 games. He returned to the Oakland lineup several weeks ago and Coach Mel Harwood of the Oaks informed George Carson, general manager of the Flyers, that Richardson would be ready to play on his arrival here Thursday.

Buffalo is fourth, only one notch ahead of the Flyers, in the Western Division standings. But that notch is one of nine points, for Buffalo has won 13 games and tied five for 31 points. St. Louis has 22.

Since Bob Davidson took over Flyer coaching duties, the club has tied Hershey and lost to Indianapolis, 6-5.

A hard workout yesterday, in which George Pearson, new defenseman, took part, was to be followed by a shorter drill today. The practices include a lot of "stop and go" skating, a factor which Davidson hopes will help produce a favorable result tomorrow night.

Hergesheimer Top Scorer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—A 10-point spree during the week boosted Philadelphia's Phil Hergesheimer all the way from a tie for seventh place to the top position in the American Hockey League's scoring race.

The Rockets' forward spurt enabled him to take a 2-point edge, 42 to 40, over Norm Burns of New Haven who had been leading the individual point-making parade practically all season.

The leading scorers:

	G.	P.	G.	A.	T. P.
Hergesheimer, Philadelphia	30	21	21	42	
Burns, New Haven	30	19	21	40	
Holota, Cleveland	27	22	15	37	
Metz, Pittsburgh	24	19	17	36	
Simpson, Indianapolis	22	17	19	36	
Wilson, Pittsburgh	29	16	20	36	
McGill, Hershey	27	15	21	36	
Chad, Providence	30	18	16	34	
Gaudeault, Hershey	29	17	17	34	
Mario, Hershey	29	10	24	34	

Hermanns Roll 3302 In All-Star League; Bobmeyer Totals 720

With Frank Mataya putting together games of 213, 279 and 226 for a 718 total, the Hermanns counted 3302 to win three games from the Mavrakos in last night's round of the All-Star League at the Heidel alleys. Hank Lauman, city champion, hit 698 for the Hermanns. The Mavrakos totalled 3078, with Mitzi Weinstein's 644 the top total.

In the closest match of the night, the DuBowls, 3223, took a pair from the Hoffmeisters, 3165. George Bobmeyer had 720 for the losers, while Harry Frederic was tops for the winners with 699.

In other matches, the Natural Set Ups won a pair from the Kutis and the first-half champion Reinekes beat the Heidels three straight. In the Reineke-Heidel match, Freddie Johnston, 607, was the only kegler to average 200.

Browns Directors Meet And Go Over If-Coming Park Improvements

Members of the board of directors of the Browns got together yesterday and went over proposed improvements at Sportsman's Park, now owned by the club.

President Dick Muckerman, at the time of purchasing the park from the Dodier Real Estate Co. last fall, made plans for an overhauling of the plant. However, it now seems that most of these improvements, including new press box, etc., now will have to wait until the Civilian Production Administration gives the "go" signal.

So, if the directors did nothing more, they wished each other a merry Christmas and prosperous New Year. Attending were Muckerman, William O. DeWitt, Anthony A. Buford, Frank C. Rand, Willard R. Cox and Herbert W. Waltke.

Injured Hockey Star Is in Fair Condition

DETROIT, Dec. 24 (UP) — James Malone, a forward on Dartmouth College's hockey team, was in "fair condition" at an Ann Arbor hospital today after sustaining a head injury in last night's 6 to 3 win over the University of Michigan.

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ST. ANTHONY.
St. Garbiel Men.
Mowry 237 — Mowry 639

WRAY'S COLUMN

Santa Is Fresh Out of Horseshoes

"I GOTTA get out of this business" growled Santa Claus as he serviced his jet-plane preparatory to his last round-up of clients for the 1946 Xmas season. . . . "Between priorities, shortages and strikes I can't get the boys and girls what they're looking for. . . . Why, even the duck factories up north quit working."

What, we wanted to know, is the most important shortage.

"I'd say common sense," retorted Santa, tugging at his lace curtains rather irritably. . . . "The things they ask for! . . . Why, for instance, should a Missouri guy want an automatic shotgun when he won't be able to find a duck outside the Smithsonian Institute in a few years. . . . A fowling gun is getting to be just a museum piece.

"Take the baseball players. . . . Their bosses have agreed to give them the minimum salary they asked, have established a pension system for them and have agreed to pay them $25 a week spending money during spring training. I'll bet they ask me to hang a portal to portal envelope on the tree tonight."

Why portal to portal—we were curious.

"Probably the gripe is that they lose time getting from the turnstile to the clubhouse, in dressing for the field, in taking showers, listening to the manager crab and in dressing again. . . . Besides they get no overtime for attending Chamber of Commerce banquets, or in standing around listening to broadcasters chatter when Joe Doque has a 'day.' . . . But no luck for them, this time. . . . I'm fresh outta portal pay. . . . The union men beat 'em to the punch."

Such instances must be exceptional, we suggested.

"Well, I can mention still more since you want the bad news."

Santy rumbled on. . . . "What do you think of these requests from good little boys of the sports world?

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He Could Plug Up His Ears.

"HERE'S an umpire who asks for a silencer that will shut up Lippy Leo. . . . He might as well ask a deodorizer for polecats.

"An Ivy League football coach asks me will I please deliver him a real amateur. . . . He might as well ask for a baby plesiosaurus.

"Another dumb cluck wrote for a rabbit's foot, because every time he plays golf with Jimmy Manion he gets a bad lie. . . . I told him he didn't need a rabbit's foot. . . . He needed a different partner, who might tell him a good lie.

"Of course some of the letters show signs of intelligence. . . . There was one—I think it was from Larry MacPhail—suggesting that I send Durocher a portrait of Ananias, so he could see himself as others see him.

There were a lot of others like these:

"One boy wanted a noiseless whistle for basketball umps. A pair of major-size trousers for Pants Rowland, was suggested by another sport because Clarence is suffering from growing pains. . . . A suit of fifteenth century armor for Bruce Woodcock would be useful when the Britisher fights Joe Louis, one thought.

"A comptometer to protect the score keeper from writer's cramp, in handling basketball games, **a totalizator for Fairmount and a teetotalizator for college football games were other interesting requests.**

"Well, I got a delivery to make in Miami before midnight. . . . It's to the All-America Conference officials there. . . .It's a gallon of red ink. . . . Guess I'll shove off—what's that? You want a Christmas present yourself? . . . A horseshoe for good luck? Hey, borrow one of Sam Breadon's, he's got plenty. . . . So long!"

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After reading the above the Missus said: "Doesn't it read sort of jerky?"

Well, what could she expect from a jerk?

Christmas Soccer Program Includes Four Cup Games

By Dent McSkimming

This is the year St. Louis has a lot of good young soccer teams. Any one of five or six clubs here might do a good job of representing the city in one of the national championship tournaments. But, under the cup competition plan, St. Louis will reduce its own field to a single club in each category, the Open, the Amateur and the Junior.

The chances of success in intercity games which follow in the spring should be good.

"But, I find that all soccer centers are in the same happy situation," warns Walter Giesler, chairman of the Missouri Soccer Commission. "Our surviving club here will just have to be red hot to overcome the representatives of Chicago, Pittsburgh and Cleveland."

That's why national cup games give both players and fans an added thrill. Defeat means immediate elimination. In league play there is a second or a third or a fourth chance to overcome defeat. In cup competition there's no second-guessing, no consolation.

Four Games Tomorrow.

Four such games are on tomorrow's program here, three in the Amateur competition and one in the Junior.

At Sportsman's Park, Correntis, largely composed of players developed by the Raftery club, oppose the new Raftery team. In their first round games, a month ago, Correntis advanced over National Slug, 3-2, and Rafterys defeated St. Philip Neri, 2-1.

That Carondelet club which upset DeAndreis, 4-2, in the first round, is expected to move on to the third round at the expense of the Nooter club in the game at Carondelet Park. At Sherman, the Noels, who have been eliminated from the Open competition, will try to salvage a bit of prestige by whipping St. Edward.

Junior Semifinal.

A local semifinal in the junior series will be played at Carondelet Park, Schumachers opposing St. Edward. The latter team has advanced through two rounds without scoring a goal. It was defeated on the field by St. Mary Magdalen team, 1-0, but was awarded the victory later when it protested. The winners had failed to observe a U.S.S.F.A. cup rule. Last Sunday St. Edward's luck again saved the day. The only point of that game was scored by an opposing player—into his own goal.

Ollie Bohlman's enforced idleness last Sunday, when he sat on the bench suspended while his Noels lost to Nationals, may turn out to be a windfall to some other St. Louis team. Bohlman, a first-class halfback, is eligible to join some surviving club, if he gets his release from John Noel.

The sooner Pete Joyce realizes he's a good center forward but a very poor inside forward, the better for his National club. He has two prospective stars beside him in Emil Gerth and Bobby Dueker. Both Peter and Bob might get better results if they were nippier—quicker on the get-away.

A player of experience, like Danny Murphy, or a retired campaigner, like Alec McNab, could do wonders with the ambitious young Milk Man team. Just a few hints as to position play would make these clever boys formidable. Manager Tony Tabacchi is doing a good job and may eventually reach his objective, but there is such a thing as a short cut.

120,000 Chairs, All Under Cover For Soccer Fans

LONDON, Dec. 24 (UP).

THE Manchester team of the British Football League today revealed plans for a stadium which will put New York's Yankee Stadium to shame—a bowl containing 120,000 easy chairs, all under cover.

The super-duper stadium, which will be erected as soon as building restrictions permit, will cost about $400,000. It will replace the old Trafford Stadium, irreparably damaged by air raids during the war.

The stadium will also feature a modern restaurant. The players are also slated for luxury, with a large gymnasium equipped with sunray treatment apparatus and an up-to-date laundry among the conveniences.

CHRISTMAS SOCCER

AT SPORTSMAN'S PARK—DeAndreis vs. Nationals (exhibition game). Start 1 p.m., 30 minute halves.
Correntis vs. Rafferys (national amateur second round game). Start 3 p.m., 45 minute halves.

AT CARONDELET PARK—Carondelet club vs. Nooters (national amateur second round); start 1 p.m.; Schumachers vs. St. Edward (national junior, local semi-final); start 3 p.m.
AT SHERMAN PARK—St. Edward vs. Noels (national amateur).

Football 'Bribe' Case Postponed Until January 2

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (UP)—Trial of Alvin J. Paris, Broadway character charged with attempting to bribe two professional football players to throw a championship game, was postponed today until Jan. 2.

Judge Saul S. Streit in general sessions court granted defense attorneys' plea for additional time in which to prepare their case and to interview witnesses, at least one of whom is on the West Coast.

Streit told the attorneys, Caesar Barra and George Breslin, that he would examine their brief supporting a plea for at least a month's adjournment and if he found the application was "in good faith" he would grant it, otherwise they must be ready for trial on Jan. 2.

Tri-City Enters Pro Basketball; Franchise Moved From Buffalo

MOLINE, Ill., Dec. 24 (AP) — Tri-City entry into professional basketball was expected to become a reality Jan. 3 or 4, when the first game will be played at Moline fieldhouse with the anticipated approval of Ward Lambert, of Lafayette, Ind., National Professional Basketball League Commissioner.

Tri-City Sports, Inc., has been organized to back the team and secure the transfer of the franchise from Buffalo, N.Y., to the Tri-Cities.

The team will play an exhibition game Dec. 26 at Baltimore, which will be its final one under the Buffalo banner. A new name has not been selected.

Midget Boys' Cage Tourney Thursday

A midget division boys' basketball tournament will begin Thursday, and teams with members under 13 years old are invited to participate, the Municipal Recreation Department announced today. White teams will play at Sherman Park Community Center, Negro quintets at Gamble Community Center.

A $2.50 entry fee will be charged per team, and a squad will be permitted 10 players on its roster. Rosters may be sent to Robert Reed at Room 330, Municipal Courts Building, or turned into a community center at which the tournament will be held.

Coach McMurray Quits.

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn., Dec. 24 (AP)—Head Coach Jean McMurray of East Tennessee State College has announced his resignation to accept a position as head of the physical education department of the University of Mississippi.

Golfers' Annual Dance.

Forest Park Golf Club will hold its annual dance and banquet at Hotel York, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

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Kramer Hurts Foot, Putting a Limp In Cup Outlook

Davis Star Is Ordered To Go Easy

MELBOURNE, Dec. 24 (AP)—America's chances of taking the Davis Cup home were not helped today by the disclosure that the team's siege gun, Jack Kramer, had injured a small bone on the bottom of one of his feet.

Kramer insisted it was a small matter and would not handicap him, but nevertheless the trainer at Kooyong advised him to take it "very easy" in final practice sessions today and tomorrow. As a result, the American champion did not play a regular set, but concentrated on hitting various types of shots set up for him, and did but little running.

The Australian players already know of the mishap and have expressed regret that Kramer might not be able to play his usual smashing game.

Mates Not Greatly Disturbed.

Walter Pate, non-playing captain of the American team, and the other members of the American squad appeared unperturbed. One of them said:

"Jake never plays real well unless he's got something wrong with him."

For reasons not altogether clear, Australian tennis writers almost unanimously agreed today that the nomination of Ted Schroeder instead of Frank Parker for the second singles post had enhanced this country's chances of retaining the cup.

Typical was the comment of R. E. Schlesinger, former Australian star, who wrote in the Melbourne Sun:

"Before it was announced that Schroeder would be America's second singles representative I felt confident that Australia would defeat America by three rubbers to two. I still predict that we will win by the same margin, but there is now a decided possibility that the final tally will be four rubbers to one in favor of Australia."

Pate to Try to Cheer Up the Boys.

Parker is still very morose about it and Gardnar Mulloy is not exactly imbued with Christmas spirit.

In an effort to restore harmony to his little family, Pate has arranged a special Christmas dinner at a hotel tomorrow for the team. There will be turkey and the usual fixings. Each member of the squad is to provide a present, and they will be scrambled and distributed around the table.

The players will hold a light workout before the dinner. They have found it difficult in the hot weather in recent days to realize that it is the holiday season. It didn't hit them with any impact until today, when Melbourne shut up shop and began celebrating.

LAST NIGHT'S FIGHTS

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK (St. Nicholas Arena)—Chester Rico, 141, New York, outpointed Justo Fontaine, 139¼, Milwaukee, Wis. (10).

NEW YORK (Park Arena)—Bernie Reynolds, 177¼, Cliffside Park, N.J., knocked out Georgie Heywood, 187, Phoenix, Ariz. (3).

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (Broadway Arena) — Cyril Gallie, 143, Cardiff, Wales, outpointed Artie Dipietro, 141½, New York (8).

NEWARK, N.J.—Jack Kenny, 162½, Livingston, N.J., outpointed Larry Fontana, 164¼, Brooklyn, N. Y. (8).

HAZLETON, Pa.—Patsy Gall, 147, Hazleton, outpointed Reco Dill, 150, Dunmore, Pa. (8).

BOSTON—Mad Anthony Jones, 170½, Boston, knocked out Davy Feld, 166½, Brooklyn, N.Y. (4).

HOLYOKE, Mass.—Henry Hall, 167, New Orleans, outpointed St. Paul, 172, Springfield (10).

BALTIMORE—Billy Fox, 174, Philadelphia, knocked out Reedy Evans, 170, New York (2).

CHICAGO—Charles Lester, 206, Cleveland, outpointed John Hubbard, 185½, Milwaukee (8).

LEWISTON, Me.—Al Michaud, 146, Lisbon, outpointed Fern Pelletier, 146, Lewiston (10).

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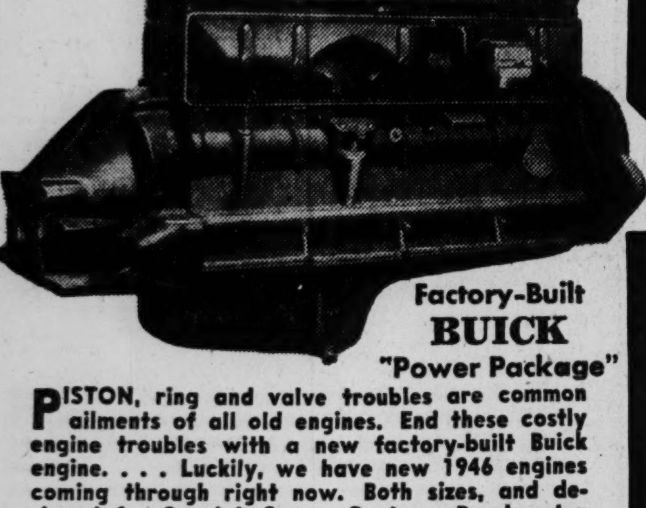

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Tops at Their Positions

AL (RED) SCHOENDIENST (left) and GEORGE (WHITEY) KUROWSKI, who paced the National League second and third baseman in fielding, according to official averages released today.

Cardinals Topped N. L. in Fielding; Schoendienst and Kurowski Individual Leaders

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (UP)—Manager Eddie Dyer's champion Cardinals added another blue ribbon to their 1946 collection by leading all National League clubs in fielding with an impressive .980 percentage, offiical statistics revealed today.

The Cardinals committed the fewest errors of any club, 124, and edged the Chicago Cubs, who finished second in fielding, with a .976 average. Pittsburgh was the loosest fielding unit in the circuit with a last-place mark of .970.

St. Louis, the Giants and Reds each boasted two individual fielding leaders while the Cubs, Braves and Phillies each contributed one player.

Second Baseman Al (Red) Schoendienst and Third Baseman George Kurowski of the world champions topped all candidates at their positions. Schoendienst had a mark of .984 and Kurowski's was .966.

The Giants' two representatives were outfielder Sid Gordon and Shortstop John (Buddy) Kerr. Gordon had the best average of any flychaser in the league, .995, and Kerr was the best defensive shortstop with a .982 percentage.

In addition, the nimble, elongated **Giant shortstop broke two fielding marks for his position by finishing the season with 52 consecutive errorless games and 286 successive faultless chances.** Kerr's first accomplishment broke Leo Durocher's mark of 51 games without an error while he was with Cincinnati, and his latter feat erased Eddie Miller's mark of 251 chances accepted without an error while serving with the Braves in 1940. He has a chance to extend both marks next season.

Cincinnati's top two fielders were Outfielder Dain Clay with a .988 average and Catcher Ray Mueller, who showed a .944 percentage. By catching the Reds' first 16 games in 1946, Mueller extended his National League consecutive game record to 233. Mueller started his skein July 31, 1943 and finished it May 5, 1946.

Frank McCormick of the Phillies created a new National League standard for first basemen with his .999 average. McCormick erred only once while accepting 1284 chances, thereby breaking the .997 mark posted by Walter Holke of the Braves in 1921.

The Braves' Tommy Holmes won the third outfield post with his .987 percentage and Johnny Schmitz of Chicago led the loop's pitchers with his 1.000 average, compiled by handling 61 chances flawlessly.

Other players who figured in National League fielding records last season included Pitcher Bob Chipman of the Cubs, who tied a circuit mark by starting three double plays against Boston, June 1.

Lonnie Frey of Cincinnati and Bob Blattner of the Giants each tied the major league record of 11 assists by a second baseman in a nine-inning game, and Catcher Al Lopez, sent by the Pirates to Cleveland recently, caught 56 games and extended his all-time major league record for games caught to 1861.

Bruce Edwards of Brooklyn tied the big league record of three assists in an inning by a catcher against the Giants, Aug. 15.

Vols Refuse to Play Against Negro, Game Off

McKEESPORT, Pa., Dec. 24 (AP)—More than 2600 fans were left waiting last night when the Tennessee basketball team refused to take the floor because Duquesne Coach Chick Davies wouldn't promise not to use a Negro player.

Davies and Coach John W. Mauer of the Vols held a two-hour conference before the game was finally canceled and the disappointed fans sent home.

Davies said he had agreed not to use freshman star Charley Cooper "unless he had to in a close game," but that this did not satisfy the Vols coach.

Mauer, who is a native of Illinois, said:

"When there was no assurance the Negro player would not appear, my boys said they wouldn't play. They are all Southern boys and you understand the situation which confronted me."

Davies said he had put Tennessee's ultimatum up to the squad in the dressing room.

"Cooper told the team he wouldn't mind if they decided to play without him because 'he didn't want to be the cause of any trouble.'" The Duquesne mentor said, "but the boys told him he was a member of the squad and as long as he continued a member of the squad he would play in their games."

Board Ordered to Reinstate Referee

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 24 (AP)—A Cole County Circuit Judge Sam C. Blair ordered the State Athletic Commission yesterday to reinstate Jack League of Joplin as a qualified wrestling referee or appear in court Jan. 6 to explain why the man had been "suspended."

League had petitioned the court to order the commission to reinstate him because, he alleged, he had never been told why he was suspended for 60 days although he sought that information from the commission.

He said he was hired to referee at a wrestling exhibition in Joplin Dec. 5, but when he appeared for work he was "told he had been suspended for 60 days."

They'll Shoot 'Er Out, but It'll Be With Basketballs

WILSON, N.C., Dec. 24 (AP).

FEUDIN' families will exchange shootin' irons for iron rings and basketballs here this week as mom, pop and the young'uns take to the hardwoods in the national family basketball tournament.

Fourteen clans have promised to be on hand come Thursday for the postwar renewal of the tournament, billed as the only event of its kind in the country. The show runs for three days and nights at the Atlantic Christian College gymnasium.

All it takes to enter is a big athletic family willing to pay all its own expenses. As long as the players are immediately related, neither age nor sex makes any difference. Everybody from grandpa to junior is eligible.

Tulsa Player Scores Upset in Net Meet

BROOKLYN, N.Y., Dec. 24 (AP)—Unseeded Paul Hurley, Tulsa, Okla., pulled an upset yesterday in the Eastern Junior indoor tennis singles championships by conquering fifth-seeded Walter J. Dockerill Jr., Larchmont, N.Y., 6-2, 6-2, in a third-round match.

Dockerill was the lone seeded player to bow. Leonard Steiner, Brooklyn; Sidney Schwartz, Brooklyn, national indoor junior champion; MacDonald Mathey, Princeton, N.J., and James L. Bicknell, Bloomington Hills, Mich.—seeded first through fourth in that order—all turned in winning performances.

Steiner, Schwartz and Mathey had little trouble in winning but Bicknell ran into unexpected trouble in conquering Philip Bennet, New York, being forced to go three sets and finally prevailing by scores of 4-6, 7-5, 6-0.

In the boys' singles, top-seeded Philip L. Maloney, Quincy, Mass., continued to set the pace, moving into the fourth round by virtue of a 6-2, 6-3 win over Ralph Baggs, Elmhurst, L.I. Others to move into the fourth round included Allen J. Fischl, Long Island City; Larry Harrison, Brookline, Mass.; Roger Young, Upper Brookville, L.I., and Norman Horowitz, The Bronx.

Stanford Eleven Defeats Hawaii

HONOLULU, Dec. 24 (AP)—Stanford's Indians, thanks largely to Halfback Bobby Anderson, proved the better mudders and plowed to an 18-7 football victory over University of Hawaii last night.

Anderson skirted end for 10 yards, then ploughed one more for a first-quarter touchdown and set up the finale by lugging the ball 28 yards to the six in the last quarter. Signal-caller Ainslee Bell passed to Dave De Swarte for the touchdown. In the second period, halfback George Quist scored from the one.
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Hawaii counted in the third period when Quarterback Sol Kaulukukui tossed 10 yards to Halfback Melvin Abreu, who evaded three Indians on a 20-yard gallop to pay dirt.

Stanford outdowned Hawaii 19-8 and outgained the locals 313 yards to 109 on the ground. Hawaii did a little better in the air, completing four of 12 attempted passes for 59 yards to the Indians' two of seven for 24.

18,000 See Oregon Upset New York U.

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 24 (AP)—Scoring better than two points a minute, Oregon's unbeaten basketball team turned in one of the major upsets of the season last night by handing highly-favored New York University an 81-65 lacing before a crowd of 18,000 stunned fans at Madison Square Garden.

BASKETBALL SCORES

By the Associated Press.

EAST.
Manhattan 60, Dartmouth 46.
Hofstra 69, Brooklyn Cathedral 39.
Oregon 81, New York University 65.

SOUTH.
Kentucky 75, Baylor 34.
Virginia Tech 55, Quantico Marines 39.
Duquesne-Tennessee game canceled.

SOUTHWEST.
Oklahoma Aggies 34, St. Mary's 33.

MID-WEST.
Ball State 73, Milwaukee Tchrs. 42.
Iowa 76, Montana State 49.
Wisconsin 61, Southern California 56.
Indiana 74, Marquette 50.
Minnesota 68, Nebraska 58.
Bradley Univ. 56, Stanford Univ. 51.

FAR WEST.
Weber College 53, Utah State Agricultural College 44.
Univ. of Washington (Seattle) 52, Ohio State 46.
Oregon State College 58, University of Portland 38.

BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.
Pittsburgh 64, Boston 54.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
Anderson 63, Chicago 60.
Buffalo 43, Toledo 39.
Youngstown 67, Sheboygan 48.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
Phillips 66 50, Continental Airliners 32.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.
Salem 44, Spokane 33.

EXHIBITION.
Gary Ingots 51, Detroit (NL) 47.

LOCAL.
C.Y.C. Senior Boys.
St. George 36, St. Anthony 29.
St. Michael 49, St. Francis de Sales 34.
St. Gabriel 30, Epiphany 18.

Flashes of Life

By the Associated Press.

The Duke Disappoints.

NEW YORK—The Pretty debutantes at the debutante cotillion and Christmas dance at the Waldorf-Astoria last night crowded eagerly about the smiling man and asked him to dance.

"I'm awfully sorry," he said, "but I can't remember all the intricacies of the fox-trot."

With that, the Duke of Windsor, who was accompanied by his Duchess, turned back to his conversation with friends.

Christmas Cheer.

BAKERSFIELD, Calif.—Traffic law violators today were given tickets in accord with the season. Instead of summonses, Police Chief Horace V. Grayson has equipped his officers with red and green Christmas cards bearing a picture of Santa Claus and a request to obey local ordinances.

Fur Coat From Santa.

PERU, Nebr.—Members of the L. G. Tear family at first thought Santa Claus got his dates mixed. They were startled from their sleep last night when they heard a clatter caused by a falling fireplace screen.

It wasn't Santa. A neighbor's pet raccoon had come down the chimney.

Court Closes Noisy Airport.

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 24 (AP)—A court decison yesterday halted operation of the Paoli-Malvern (Pa.) airport. Residents of the area complained that the noise of airplanes taking off and landing at the privately-operated field was so great telephone conversations had to be stopped, chicken and livestock breeding was interferred with and classroom sessions disrupted.

National League Fielding Records

CLUB FIELDING.

Club.	Double Plays	Triple Plays	Passed Balls	Left on Bases	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	PC.
Cardinals	167	0	10	1165	4194	1777	124	6095	.980
Chicago	119	0	13	1210	4203	1786	146	6135	.976
Cincinnati	192	0	4	1151	4236	1930	155	6321	.975
Philadelphia	144	0	12	1091	4101	1705	148	5954	.975
New York	121	0	9	1132	4058	1745	159	5962	.973
Brooklyn	154	0	17	1243	4249	1732	174	6155	.972
Boston	129	0	6	1196	4117	1665	169	5951	.972
Pittsburgh	127	0	10	1201	4112	1784	184	6080	.970
Totals	1,153	0	81	9,389	33,270	14,124	1,259	48,653	.974

INDIVIDUAL FIELDING.

FIRST BASEMEN.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.
McCormick, Frank A., Phila.	134	1185	98	1	1284	92	.999
Waitkus, Edward S., Chicago	106	992	81	4	1077	76	.996
Shokes, Edward C. Cincinnati	29	262	14	1	277	26	.996
Fletcher, Elburt F., Pittsburgh	147	1356	106	8	1470	97	.995
Herman, William J., Boston	22	179	6	1	186	12	.995
Haas, Berthold J., Cincinnati	140	1346	91	9	1446	140	.994
Cavarretta, Philip J., Chicago	51	450	40	4	494	26	.992
Musial, Stanley F., Cardinals	114	1056	65	13	1134	119	.989
Mize, John R., New York	101	928	83	11	1022	80	.989
Schultz, Howard, Brooklyn	87	576	58	7	641	65	.989
Sanders, Raymond F., Boston	77	659	61	9	729	57	.988
Young, Norman R., New York	49	452	24	6	482	25	.988
Sisler, Richard A., Cardinals	37	292	28	4	324	31	.988
Stevens, Edward, Brooklyn	99	716	48	11	775	59	.986
Dinges, Vance G., Philadelphia	26	184	17	3	204	16	.985
Hopp, John L., Boston	68	535	42	11	588	44	.981
Galan, August J., Brooklyn	12	91	6	5	102	7	.951

SECOND BASEMEN.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.
Ramazzotti, L., Brooklyn	16	27	27	0	54	6	1.000
Schoendienst, Albert F., Cards	128	340	354	11	705	87	.984
Johnson, Donald S., Chicago	83	192	228	8	428	34	.981
Stanky, Edward R., Brooklyn	141	356	359	17	732	88	.977
Blattner, Robert G., New York	114	285	315	15	615	62	.976
Klein, Louis F., Cardinals	23	58	60	3	121	18	.975
Sturgeon, Robert H., Chicago	21	51	51	3	105	13	.971
Zientara, Benjamin, Cincinnati	39	92	131	7	230	27	.970
Brown, James R., Pittsburgh	21	55	69	4	128	12	.969
Ryan, Cornelius J., Boston	120	285	317	20	622	53	.968
Herman Wm.J., 16 Brk., 44Bos.	60	137	137	9	283	27	.968
Gustine, Frank W., Pittsburgh	113	290	328	21	639	61	.967
Adams, Robert H., Cincinnati	74	190	251	15	456	67	.967
Verban, Emil M., Philadelphia	138	353	381	28	762	83	.963
Fery, Linus R., Cincinnati	65	169	172	13	354	33	.963
Whitehead, Burgess U., Pittsburgh	30	66	64	5	135	14	.963
Witek, Nicholas J., New York	42	102	100	8	210	19	.962
Stringer, Louis B., Chicago	62	135	150	13	298	17	.956

THIRD BASEMEN.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.
Hughes, Roy J., Philadelphia	31	47	49	2	98	6	.980
Roberge, Albert, Boston	48	63	80	4	147	11	.973
Ryan, Cornelius J., Boston	24	15	50	2	67	5	.970
Miksis, Edward T., Brooklyn	13	13	19	1	33	0	.970
Hack, Stanley C., Chicago	90	102	168	9	279	6	.968
Kurowski, George J., Cardinals	138	175	249	15	439	17	.966
Rigney, William J., New York	73	77	143	8	228	8	.965
Zientara, Benjamin, Cincinnati	36	22	88	4	114	11	.965
Kerr, John J., New York	18	24	28	2	54	2	.963
Reiser, Harold P., Brooklyn	15	16	32	2	54	2	.963
Dusak, Ervin F., Cardinals	11	6	19	1	26	3	.962
Handley, Lee, Pittsburgh	102	107	237	15	359	13	.958
Elliott, Robert T., Pittsburgh	43	44	82	6	132	5	.955
Tabor, James R., Philadelphia	124	156	221	18	395	17	.954
Gordon, Sidney, New York	30	18	54	4	76	3	.947
Schoendienst, Albert F., Cards	12	18	19	2	39	6	.947
Herman, Wm.J., 29Brk., 5 Bos.	34	36	64	6	106	9	.943
Hatton, Grady E., Cincinnati	116	108	194	19	321	14	.941
Fernandez, Froilan, Boston	81	83	150	15	248	10	.940
Ramazzotti, Robert L., Brooklyn	30	25	37	4	66	3	.939
Ostrowski, John T., Chicago	50	33	80	8	121	5	.937
Thomson, Robert B., New York	16	18	25	3	46	0	.935
Galan, August J., Brooklyn	19	23	34	4	61	1	.934
Lavagetto, Harry A., Brooklyn	67	70	108	14	192	11	.927
Lowrey, Harry L., Chicago	20	22	34	5	61	2	.918
Witek, Nicholas J., New York	35	36	50	12	98	4	.878

SHORTSTOPS.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.
Kerr, John J., New York	126	240	400	12	652	66	.982
Jurges, William F., Chicago	73	119	204	8	331	26	.976
Rojek, Stanley A., Brooklyn	15	14	23	1	38	4	.974
Marion, Martin W., Cardinals	145	290	480	21	791	105	.973
Miller, Edward R., Cincinnati	88	184	297	15	496	79	.970
Cross, Joffre J., Cardinals	17	25	40	2	67	10	.970
Gustine, Frank W., Pittsburgh	13	20	40	2	62	8	.968
Reese, Harold H., Brooklyn	152	285	463	26	774	104	.966
Newsome, Lamar A., Philadel.	107	179	310	23	512	53	.955
Brown, James R., Pittsburgh	30	57	88	6	152	15	.954
Culler, Richard B., Boston	132	279	380	36	695	68	.948
Corbitt, Claude E., Cincinnati	77	126	229	20	375	45	.947
Merullo, Leonard R., Chicago	44	78	131	12	221	23	.946
Hughes, Roy J., Philadelphia	34	47	83	8	138	15	.942
O'Neil, John, Philadelphia	32	51	75	8	134	15	.940
Rigney William J., New York	33	53	81	9	143	14	.937
Cox, William R., Pittsburgh	114	235	323	39	597	59	.935
Sturgeon, Robert H., Chicago	72	109	158	19	286	31	.934
Zak, Frank T., Pittsburgh	10	13	26	3	42	5	.929
Fernandes, Froilan Boston	18	25	35	5	65	8	.923
Wietelmann, William F., Boston	16	28	26	5	59	5	.915
Dark, Alvin R., Boston	12	5	14	2	21	2	.905

CATCHERS.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.	PB.
Scheffing, Robert B., Chicago	40	97	10	0	107	3	1.000	4
Hofferth, Stuart E., Boston	15	66	3	0	69	1	1.000	0
Mueller, Ray C., Cincinnati	100	405	65	3	473	12	.994	1
O'Dea, J. Kenneth, 22 Cards, 12 Boston	34	138	19	1	158	1	.994	3
McCullough, Clyde E., Chicago	89	390	40	4	434	4	.991	4
Garagiola, Jos. H., Cardinals	70	260	25	3	288	6	.990	4
Lopez, Alfonso R., Pittsburgh	56	173	30	3	206	4	.985	0
Edwards, Bruce C., Brooklyn	91	431	53	9	493	9	.982	7
Masi, Philip S., Boston	124	470	56	10	536	5	.981	3
Livingston, Thompson O., Chi.	56	239	25	5	269	3	.981	4
Lombardi, Ernest N., New York	63	272	36	7	315	7	.977	4
Rice, Delbert W., Cardinals	53	196	12	5	313	0	.977	1
Hemsley, Ralston B., Phila.	45	170	42	5	217	10	.977	6
Kluttz, Clyde F., 2 N. Y. 49 Cardinals	51	183	24	5	212	4	.976	1
Seminick, Andrew W., Phila	118	461	61	14	536	12	.974	5
Lamanno, Ray S., Cincinnati	61	222	37	7	266	6	.974	2
Cooper, W. Walker, New York	73	277	38	9	324	3	.973	3
Sandlock, Michael J., Brooklyn	17	61	11	2	74	1	.973	1
Salkeld, William F., Pittsburgh	51	176	31	6	313	3	.972	6
Camelli, Henry R., Pittsburgh	39	117	18	4	139	2	.971	0
Baker, William P., Pittsburgh	41	95	14	4	113	2	.965	4
Anderson, Ferrell J., Brooklyn	70	258	35	11	304	5	.964	9
Warren, Bennie L., New York	30	103	8	4	115	0	.957	1
Padgett, Donald D., 10 Bklyn., 26 Boston	36	89	15	5	109	2	.954	3

OUTFIELDERS.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.
Whitman, Richard C., Brooklyn	85	178	5	0	183	0	1.000
Gilbert, Charles M., 2 Chicago, 69 Philadelphia	71	155	10	0	165	4	1.000
Hopp, John L., Boston	58	135	3	0	138	1	1.000
Medwick, Joseph M., Brooklyn	18	30	0	0	30	0	1.000
Ott, Melvin T., New York	16	23	2	0	25	1	1.000
Neill, Thomas F., Boston	13	19	1	0	20	0	1.000
Gordon, Sidney, New York	101	197	8	1	206	0	.995
Elliott, Robert I., Pittsburgh	92	188	8	1	197	5	.995
Dusak, Ervin F., Cardinals	77	139	12	1	152	1	.993
Adams, Elvin C., Cardinals	58	95	1	1	97	1	.990
Clay, Dain E., Cincinnati	120	312	10	4	326	3	.988
Holmes, Thomas F., Boston	146	294	17	4	315	7	.987
Workman, Charles T., 12 Boston, 40 Pittsburgh	52	132	5	2	139	1	.986
Lukon, Edward, Cincinnati	83	190	5	3	198	1	.985
Litwhiler, Daniel W., Boston	65	128	2	2	132	0	.985
Furillo, Carl A., Brooklyn	112	292	9	5	306	4	.984
Musial, Stanley F., Cardinals	42	110	4	2	116	0	.983
McCormick, Myron W., 21 Cincinnati, 48 Boston	69	165	2	3	170	0	.982
Moore, Terry B., Cardinals	66	158	5	3	166	0	.982
Usher, Robert R., Cincinnati	80	102	8	2	112	3	.982
Wyrostek, John, Philadelphia	142	388	18	8	414	4	.981
Slaughter, Enos B., Cardinals	156	284	23	6	313	6	.981
Lowrey, Harry L. Chicago	126	308	15	7	330	3	.979
Gillenwater, Carden, Boston	78	180	6	4	190	2	.979
Marshall, Willard W., New York	125	253	14	6	273	2	.978
Reiser, Harold P., Brooklyn	97	205	14	5	224	2	.978
Pafko, Andrew, Chicago	64	165	13	4	182	4	.978
Rowell, Carvel W., Boston	85	168	8	4	180	2	.978
Rosen, Goodwin G., 1 Brooklyn, 84 New York	85	200	3	5	208	0	.976
Young, Norman R., New York	24	40	0	1	41	0	.976
Ennis, Delmer, Philadelphia	138	332	16	9	357	4	.975
DiMaggio, Vincent P., 6 Phila., 13 New York	19	39	0	1	40	0	.975
Walker, Harry W., Cardinals	92	215	11	6	232	2	.974
Nicholson, William B., Chicago	80	179	4	5	188	1	.973
Rickert, Marvin A. Chicago	104	200	5	6	211	1	.972
Libke, Albert W., Cincinnati	115	191	14	6	211	4	.972
Northey, Ronald J., Philadelphia	111	194	7	6	207	3	.971
Dallessandro, Dominic, Chicago	20	33	0	1	34	0	.971
Kiner, Ralph M., Pittsburgh	140	339	6	11	356	2	.969
Walker, Frederick R., Brooklyn	149	237	15	8	260	3	.969
Cavarretta, Philip J., Chicago	86	196	7	7	210	2	.967
Russell, James W., Pittsburgh	134	308	7	11	326	1	.966
Fernandez, Froilan, Boston	14	25	1	1	27	1	.963
Sisler Richard A., Cardinals	29	42	3	2	47	0	.957
Frey, Linus R., Cincinnati	28	41	4	2	47	0	.957
West, Max E., Cincinnati	58	112	6	6	124	3	.952
Graham, John B., New York	62	105	7	6	118	0	.949
Rucker, John J., New York	54	91	1	5	97	0	.948
Gionfriddo, Albert F., Pittsburgh	33	49	2	3	54	0	.944
Van Robays, Maurice R., Pitts.	37	62	1	3	66	0	.939
Hermanski, Eugene, Brooklyn	34	45	0	3	48	0	.938
Barrett, John J., 21Pitt., 17Bos	38	57	2	4	63	1	.937
Galan, August J., Brooklyn	60	97	4	7	108	1	.935
Pike, Jesse W., New York	10	13	0	1	14	0	.929
Wasdell, Jaces C., Philadelphia	11	12	0	1	13	0	.923

PITCHERS.

Name and Club.	G.	PO.	A.	E.	TC.	DP.	PC.
Schmitz, John A., Chicago	41	12	49	0	61	2	1.000
Judd, T. W. Oscar, Phila	30	10	50	0	60	4	1.000
Heintzelman, Kenneth H., Pitt.	32	7	39	0	46	3	1.000
Gumbert, Harry E., Cincinnati	36	5	29	0	34	2	1.000
Raffensberger, Kenneth D., Phil.	39	7	26	0	33	1	1.000
Halleck, Jack P. Pittsburgh	35	8	20	0	28	1	1.000
Wallace, James A., Boston	27	7	21	0	28	0	1.000
Erickson, Paul W., Chicago	32	5	22	0	27	1	1.000
Lanning, John Y., Pittsburgh	27	5	22	0	27	1	1.000
Mauney, Richard, Philadelphia	24	8	17	0	25	0	1.000
Gerheauser, Albert, Pittsburgh	35	3	21	0	24	2	1.000
Thompson, Eugene E., New York	39	5	18	0	23	1	1.000
Mulcahy, Hugh N., Philadelphia	16	5	18	0	23	1	1.000
Rowe, Lynwood T., Philadelphia	17	2	20	0	22	2	1.000
Barrett, Charles H., Cardinals	23	4	17	0	21	1	1.000
Karl, Anton A., Philadelphia	39	3	17	0	20	0	1.000
Joyce, Robert E., New York	14	4	14	0	18	3	1.000
Mulligan, Richard C., 19 Phila., 4 Boston	23	4	13	0	17	0	1.000
Munger, George D., Cardinals	10	1	16	0	17	3	1.000
Hoerst, Frank J., Philadelphia	18	5	9	0	14	0	1.000
Donnelly, Sylvester U., 13 St. Louis, 12 Phila.	25	3	11	0	14	0	1.000
Andrews, Nathan H., 7 Cincinnati, 3 New York	10	1	10	0	11	0	1.000
Stanceu, Charles, Philadelphia	14	1	10	0	11	1	1.000
Singleton, B. Elmer, Boston	15	3	6	0	9	0	1.000
Prim, Raymond L., Chicago	14	1	8	0	9	0	1.000
Albosta, Edward ., Pittsburgh	17	2	7	0	9	1	1.000
Roser, Emerson C., Boston	14	2	6	0	8	0	1.000
Webber, Lester, Brooklyn	11	3	5	0	8	1	1.000
Schmidt, Frederick A., Cards	16	1	7	0	8	0	1.000
Konstanty, Casimer J., Boston	10	2	5	0	7	1	1.000
Abernathy, Virgil W., New York	15	1	6	0	7	0	1.000
Fleming, Leslie F., Chicago	14	0	7	0	7	0	1.000
Shoun, Clyde M., Cincinnati	27	0	7	0	7	0	1.000
Lambert, Clayton B., Cincinnati	23	1	6	0	7	0	1.000
Posedel, William J. Boston	19	1	4	0	5	0	1.000
Krist, Howard W., Cardinals	15	0	4	0	4	1	1.000
White, Ernest D., Boston	12	2	1	0	3	0	1.000
Sain, John F., Boston	37	20	61	1	82	4	.988
Dickson, Murry M., Cardinals	47	13	52	1	66	5	.985
Brecheen, Harry D., Cardinals	36	11	50	1	62	6	.984
Wyse, Henry W., Chicago	40	9	50	1	60	4	.983
Beggs, Joseph N., Cincinnati	28	11	45	1	57	2	.982
Wright H. Edward, Boston	36	12	35	1	48	2	.979
Lee, William C., Boston	25	6	35	1	42	2	.976
Strincevich, Nicholas, Pittsburgh	32	14	25	1	40	0	.975
Schumacher, Harold H., N. Y.	24	12	27	1	40	1	.975
Passeau, Claude W., Chicago	21	6	30	1	37	3	.975
Trinkle, Kenneth, New York	48	6	30	1	37	1	.973
Ostermueller, Frederick R., Pitt.	27	9	33	1	43	0	.970
Hetki, John E., Cincinnati	32	6	24	1	31	0	.968
Johnson, Silas K., 1 Phila., 28 Boston	29	6	21	1	28	2	.964
Beazley, John A., Cardinals	19	10	16	1	27	1	.963
Chipman, Robert H. Chicago	34	10	15	1	26	3	.962
Koslo, G. David, New York	40	10	61	3	74	1	.959
Kennedy, Montia C., New York	38	10	35	2	47	2	.957
Hughes, Thomas O., Philadelphia	29	5	17	1	23	2	.957
Blackwell, Ewell, Cincinnati	33	7	58	3	68	7	.956
Melton, Rueben F., Brooklyn	24	1	20	1	22	0	.955
Casey, Hugh T., Brooklyn	46	9	32	2	43	4	.953
Brazle, Alpha E., Cardinals	37	5	33	2	40	1	.950
Kush, Emil B., Chicago	40	9	37	2	48	2	.947
Wilks, Theodore, Cardinals	40	2	16	1	19	3	.947
Bithorn, Hiram G., Chicago	26	1	17	1	19	2	.947
Higbe, W. Kirby, Brooklyn	42	13	40	3	56	2	.946
Pollet, Howard J., Cardinals	40	8	59	4	71	9	.944
Sewell, Truett B., Pittsburgh	25	8	26	2	36	1	.944
Roe, Elwin C., Pittsburgh	21	4	13	1	18	1	.944
Lombardi, Victor A., Brooklyn	41	4	44	3	51	1	.941
Barrett, Francis J., Boston	23	4	12	1	17	0	.941
Walters, William H., Cincinnati	22	10	37	3	50	7	.940
Cooper, Morton C., Boston	28	6	25	2	33	3	.939
Herring, Arthur L., Brooklyn	35	5	25	2	32	2	.938
Gables, Kenneth H., Pittsburgh	32	3	12	1	16	0	.938
Voiselle, William S., New York	36	14	29	3	46	3	.933
Behrman, Henry B., Brooklyn	47	10	18	2	30	0	.933
Borowy, Henry L., Chicago	32	9	42	3	54	1	.932
Vander Meer, John S., Cin.	29	6	33	3	42	2	.929
Budnick, Mike J., New York	35	5	21	2	28	0	.929
Barney, Rex E., Brooklyn	16	7	6	1	14	1	.929
Heusser, Edward B., Cincinnati	29	7	26	3	36	3	.917
Gregg, Harold D., Brooklyn	26	6	16	2	24	0	.917
Bauers, Russell L., Chicago	15	5	6	1	12	0	.917
Head, Edward M., Brooklyn	13	2	9	1	12	1	.917
Schanz, Charley M., Philadelphia	32	4	28	3	35	1	.914
Kraus, John, New York	17	1	9	1	11	1	.909
Jurisich, Alvin J., Philadelphia	13	5	5	1	11	1	.909
Spahn, Warren E., Boston	24	2	16	2	20	0	.900
Branca, Ralph T., Brooklyn	24	3	6	1	10	1	.900
Hatten, Joseph H., Brooklyn	42	13	36	6	55	4	.891
Burkhart, Kenneth W., Cardinals	25	1	15	2	18	1	.889
Gee, John A., New York	13	1	7	1	9	0	.889
Carpenter, Robert L., New York	12	2	6	1	9	0	.889
Bahr, Edson G., Pittsburgh	27	8	28	5	41	2	.878
Malloy, Robert P., Cincinnati	27	0	13	4	17	1	.765
Fischer, Reuben W., New York	15	0	9	3	12	1	.750
Humphries, John W., Philadelphia	10	0	0	0	0	0	.000

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Irrational mathematical quantity
5. Rodent
8. Expense
12. Fresh-water porpoise
13. Bustle
14. Notion
15. Former emperor
16. Prophesy
18. And: Latin
19. Salt of nitric acid
21. Indian mulberry
22. Mountain in Colorado
24. Feminine name
25. Bashful
26. Hardy
28. Head covering
30. Goddess of the harvest
31. Therefore
33. Formerly
36. Give back
38. Outcast
40. Supervise a publication
41. Baking chamber
42. By way of
44. Novel
46. Very old
48. Side of a triangle
50. Bitter vetch
52. Hop kiln
53. Conjunction
54. Gift
56. That man
58. Pertaining to a wall
60. Rivers: Spanish
62. English school
63. Sick
64. Sacred image
65. Love to excess
66. English letter
67. Grant

DOWN
1. Location
2. Open
3. Long narrow inlet
4. Mending implement
5. Log float
6. Idolizing
7. East Indian gateway
8. Quote
9. Poem
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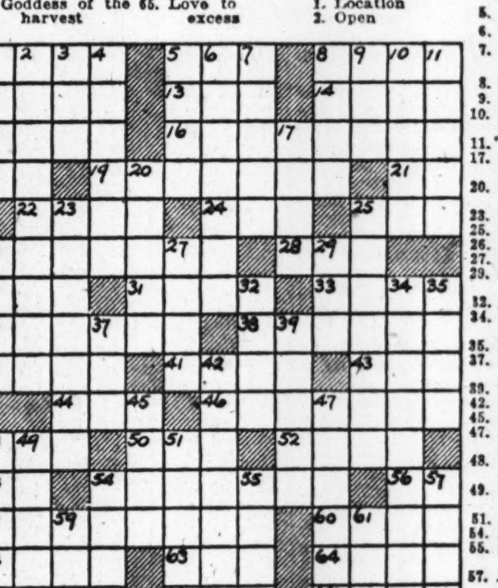

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"Make Mine Music," at 1:57, 4:42, 7:27, 10:12; "Time of Their Lives," at 12:30, 3:15, 6, 8:45.
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STOCK TRADE IS SLUGGISH; DOWN TREND TO LIST

Light Year-End Tax Adjustments Serve to Restrain Individual Issues —Some Gainers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—A few stock market leaders managed to achieve modest recoveries today although dealings were among the slowest of the month and the general drift was downward.

From the start pressure was slack in any department and the ticker tape frequently indulged in a pre-holiday nap. Assorted issues improved after midday but demand was far from insistent. Declines of fractions to two or more points predominated at the close.

Transfers were 950,000 shares compared with 1,170,000 shares yesterday.

Of 942 issues traded 441 closed lower, 279 higher and 222 unchanged.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks closed down .2 of a point at 66.7.

In the Lower Group.

Resistant were American Woolen (ex-$12 dividend); Webster Tobacco (on a stock disbursement), American Telephone, Texas Co., Standard Oil (N.J.), Bethlehem, Goodyear and Youngstown Sheet.

Backward movers included U. S. Steel, General Motors, Goodrich, U. S. Rubber, Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Great Northern, Western Union "A," North American, Kennecott, Anaconda, du Pont, Montgomery Ward, Schenley U. S. Gypsum and Johns-Manville.

While year-end tax adjustments were light, they still served to restrain individual issues. Some replacement purchasing and buying for a possible rally at the turn of the year provided a bolstering influence. Further doubts regarding 1947 business and apprehension over growing portal-to-portal retroactive wage suits caused the trimming of accounts.

Trend on the Curb.

In the Curb bids were accorded American Republics, Pantepec and Catalin. Minus marks were attached to Electric Bond & Share, Consolidated Steel, Cities Service and International Petroleum.

All the nation's markets will suspend tomorrow for Christmas and the fact that many customers included Monday and Tuesday in the recess accounted for a number of virtually deserted boardrooms.

Liquor stocks had to contend with the Schenley declaration of the regular 50-cent dividend when some Wall Streeters had looked for a boosted payment in view of the company's earnings. For the quarter concluded Nov. 30 the concern disclosed net of $5.38 a share against $3.72 in the like 1945 period.

Noted by trend analysts was the SEC compilation placing liquid savings by individuals for 1946 at the lowest level for any year since 1941. For the first nine months of the current year savings were estimated at $12.6 billion compared with $37.7 billion for all of 1945.

Supported in the Curb were Noma Electric, American Republics and Pantepec. Laggards were St. Regis Paper, Consolidated Steel and International Petroleum.

BUSINESS LOANS RISE TO NEW RECORD TOP MARK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP) — Business loans rose to still another record high in the pre-Christmas period, increasing $64,000,000 during the week ended Dec. 18, the Federal Reserve Board said today.

Reports from Federal Reserve member banks in 101 leading cities put the total of commercial, industrial and agricultural loans at $10,351,000,000 on Dec. 18, an increase of $3,110,000,000 over a year ago.

Real estate loans increased $10,000,000 during the week to a total of $1,541,000,000, up $450,000,000 over a year earlier.

Total loans of all types rose $191,000,000 to an aggregate of $16,894,000,000, an increase of $942,000,000 in the last 12 months.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—In the following table will be found the sales, closing prices and net changes of the 16 most active stocks traded in on the New York Stock exchange today:

Security.	Sales.	Close.	Ch'ge.
Am Woolen	22,200	38⅛	*1½
Comwlth & Sou.	21,100	3⅞	....
Nat Distill.	12,700	21½	....
Canad Pac.	10,800	12⅞	—⅛
Gen Pub Util.	10,400	16⅝	*¼
Radio	10,000	9½	....
Am Airlines	9,800	9⅞	—⅛
Westingh Elec	9,000	26⅛	*⅛
Schenley Dist	8,900	57⅛	—1¾
Air Reduct	8,400	35⅞	—¼
Gen Motors	8,300	54	—⅛
Pan Am Airways	8,100	12⅞	—⅛
Penn RR	8,100	26⅛	....
Int Tel & Tel	8,000	17½	*½
Socony Vac	7,700	14⅜	*⅛
United Corp	7,700	3¾	....

Today's closing prices on a selected list of stocks traded in on the New York Stock Exchange will be found in the following table:

Security.	Close.	Security.	Close.
Air Reduct 1a	35⅞	GtNorRypf3	47¼
Alleg Corp	4	Greyhound3.20e	37¾
AllegLStl 2	44⅞	Grumman2e	27
Allied Chem 6a	175	Homestake1.40e	36½
Allis Chalm 6a	37⅜	HoustonOil½e	19⅞
Am Air Lines	9⅞	HudsonMot.40	16¾
Am Can 3	90¼	IllCentral	25¾
††AmDist 2a	43½	IntHarvest2.60e	75¼
Am & For Pw	6⅝	IntNickCan1.60	35¼
Am Loco 1.40	26	IntPaper3a	55
Am Pow&Lt	13½	IntT&T	17½
Am Rad&SS .40	15⅞	Johns-Man3½e	133
AmRollM1¼e	36½	Jones&LStl2	35
AmSmelt&R2a	58½	KenneCop2½e	51⅛
AmT&T 9	167¼	LacledeGas¼e	6⅜
AmTob B3a	83	Lig&MyB3a	99
Am Wat Wks	17⅛	Lockheed1e	21
††AmWool 12e	38⅛	Loew's1½a	25¾
Anaconda 2½	40⅝	Lorillard 1	20⅜
Armour	14¾	MackTrks 2e	43¾
AssdDryGds90e	19½	MayDeptStrs 3	47½
AtchT&SF 6	98	Mo-Kan-Tex pf	23¾
Att Refining1½	35¾	Monsanto ¾e	60¾
AtlasCorp 1½	24	MontWard 2a	63¼
AutomCanteen1	26½	Nash Kelv ½	14½
BaldwinL1¼e	21⅛	NatDistill 1a	21½
B&O	15⅞	Nat Lead ½a	33¼
Barnard Oil 1	24½	Nat Gypsum ½e	23⅞
BendixAvia 2	38	NY Central	18⅝
BethStl6	92¾	Nor Am1.77f	31½
Bliss,EW	24¼	Nor Pac 1e	21⅝
BoeingAirpl 1e	21	Ohio Oil ½a	24¾
Borg War1.60	44	Oliver Corp ½e	23½
BudIMills 1a	18¼	Packard Mot	6⅜
Budd Co	12¾	PanAm Airw½e	12⅞
BurrAddM.60	14½	ParaPict 2a	33
CanPac 1¼e	12⅞	Penn-C Airl	15⅝
Celanese ¼e	20⅝	Penn RR 1½e	26⅛
Celotex 1a	28	Pepsi Cola .70a	26
Certain-Teed.60	20	DhepisD 1.60	42
C&O 3a	53¾	PhilipMorris1½	37½
CM StP&P	13⅛	PubSvcNJ1.20	23¼
Chi&NW 1e	19⅞	Radio Corp .20e	9½
Chrysler3	91⅞	R-K-O 1.20	15⅞
Colgate-P1P 2a	56	Repub Stl 1	27⅝
ColoF&I .60	14⅝	ReynTobB1.40a	41¼
ColumG&E .30e	11½	Schenley 2	57⅛
Comw&Sou	3⅞	Seab Air L	19⅝
ConsEd 1.60	26⅞	Sears Roe 1a	38½
ContCan 1	38¼	Sinclair Oil 1	15⅝
ContMotors .35e	10⅞	Soc-Vac ½a	14⅜
ContODel 1.70e	41	Sou Pac 4	48
Cornell-Dub .80	16⅜	Sou Ry 3	50¾
Curtiss-Wrig ½e	6	Spear&Co1½e	20⅛
DayPw&Lt .90e	34¾	StdOilCal2.30e	56⅞
Deere 1½e	37½	StdOilNJ1a	68⅜
DistCor-S .60	17⅞	Studebaker ½e	21
DomeMine 1.10	16⅝	Sunray Oil .30e	8⅛
DouglasAirc7½e	73¼	Texas Co 2a	60¾
DresserIndust	21	Twent C-F 3a	38½
duPont7e	186½	UnitedAirLin½e	24
EastAirl½	22	UnitedAirc1	18¼
ElectPw&Lt	17¾	UnitedCorp	3¾
EmersonElec	13¼	UnitedFruit2	50¾
Erie1	11⅞	UnitRexall⅛e	11⅝
FajardoSug1	26½	USGypsum2a	108½
Firestone3¾e	56⅞	USRub3a	54⅛
Flinkote1½e	34⅝	USSteel4	72⅜
GenCable	14	VertCSug2	21⅝
GenElec1.60	35¾	WalkerHir.30e	23⅞
GenFoods1.60a	43⅛	WarnerBros1½	17⅞
GenMotors2¼e	54	WebsterTobacco	12¾
GenPubUt¼b	16⅝	WestUnionA	22⅛
GenStlCa pf6k	123½	WestinghElec1	26⅛
Glidden2a	48½	Willys-Over	9⅞
Graham-Paige	5½	Wilson&Co.80	14¼
Goodrich4½e	62¼	Woolworth1.60a	47
GranCityStl.05e	13⅞	YoungsS&T3a	67¼

Symbols: a-also extra or extras; b-plus stock dividends; d-cash or stock; e-declared or paid so far this year; f-payable in stock; g-paid last year; h-payable in Canadian funds; k-accumulated dividend paid or declared this year; ††ex-dividend; **-rights; †-actual sales.

STOCK PRICE AVERAGES.
(Compiled by Dow-Jones.)

	High.	Low.	Close.	Ch'ge.
30 Industrials	177.51	176.25	176.95	—.41
20 Railroads	51.90	51.44	51.69	—.15
15 Utilities	37.34	37.04	37.22	—.11
65 Stocks	65.03	64.53	64.81	—.16

(Compiled by the Associated Press).
30 Indust 91.5 90.8 91.2

	High.	Low.	Close.	Ch'ge.
30 Industrials	91.5	90.8	91.2	—.2
15 Rails	37.6	37.1	37.4	—.2
15 Utilities	46.2	45.8	46.0	—.2
60 Total	67.0	66.4	66.7	—.2

U.S. TREASURY STATEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The position of the treasury Dec. 20: Receipts, $311,183,880.04; expenditures, $177,171,311.28; balance, $3,675,772,668.94; receipts fiscal year July 1, $17,501,064,708.44; expenditures fiscal year, $17,318,709,409.05; excess of receipts, $182,355,299.39; total debt, $259,000,918,533.21; gold assets, $20,477,575,666.34.

Bond Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The bond market followed an irregular pattern today with changes generally limited to fractions either way.

Lautaro Nitrate incomes of '75, New Orleans, Texas & Mexico 5s and New York Susquehanna & Western refunding 5s were among a very limited number of issues recording gains of a point or more.

Some Baltimore & Ohio issues, Erie 4½s, Lehigh Valley 5s of 2003 stamped and Pennsylvania Central Airlines 3½s declined as much as a point.

Activity was extremely slow, reflecting the absence from the street of numerous dealers and investment portfolio managers who got an early start on the Christmas holiday.

Holding slightly advanced positions at times were American Telephone 2¾s, Consolidated Edison 3½s, Delaware & Hudson 4s, New Orleans, Texas & Mexico 5s, New York Power & Light 2¾s, Southern Railway General 6s and West Penn Power 3½s.

Inclined to back away were Western Union 4½s, Texas & Pacific 3⅞s, Rio Grande Western 4s, Pennsylvania Central Airlines 3½s, Northern Pacific 4½s, Morris & Essex 3½s, Lehigh Valley 4s and 5s and Central of Georgia 5s.

Belgium 7s declined more than a point in an otherwise quiet foreign dollar list.

U.S. Governments were quiet and steady.

The rails continued to sag in the final hour and that group had numerous losses of a point or more at the final bell.

Included were bonds of the Baltimore & Ohio, North Western, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western and Erie. Mountain States Telephone 2⅝s came up for a gain of a point at 99½ and Ohio Edison 3s ended up ½ at 105¼.

Sales totaled $3,872,000, compared with $4,780,000 yesterday.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Closing prices on a representative list of bonds traded in on the New York Stock Exchange today follow:

Security.	Close.	Security.	Close.
U.S. Government Bonds.			
Treasury.			
		2½72-67Jun	102-28
Corporation Bonds.			
AmT&T2¾s61	115⅝	LehVal2003	50¼
AmTobB3s62	104	MSPSSM4s91	51
B & O cv .60	50½	M-K-T1st4s90	88¾
C & EI inc97	39½	MoPac5s77f	82⅜
CMSPP cr		NYCent5s2013	85½
4½s2044	60	NYCHR3½s97	95⅜
C&NW4½s99	80	NYNHH6s48	45
CRIP 4½s52A	27	NYOW4s92	10
CTHSE2¾s		NorPac4½s75	100½
4¼ 94	92	PenCAir3½s60	64
CCCSL4½s77	80	PereM3⅜80	103⅜
DRGW5s55A	7¾	StLSF4½s78	40½
Erie 4½s2015	80	SeALI4½s2016	72½
GtNor2¾s82	96¼	SouRy4s46	101⅛
H&M inc5s57	20⅜	SwBell2¾s85	102¼
ICCSL 4½s63	87⅜	WestUn5s60	80⅛

CORPORATION REPORTS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24 (AP) — North American Aviation reported today that its income from sales and other sources during the fiscal year ended Sept. 30 amounted to $56,642,000.

For the corresponding period last year, the comparable figure was $400,401,514, largely because of huge war orders, the company said.

The company said the 1946 figures are preliminary and subject to revision. Net income after payment of federal taxes amounted to $4,000,000 this year and $7,820,000 last.

The backlog of unfilled orders rose from $90,882,505 at the start of the fourth quarter to $165,035,118 at its close.

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GRAIN LIST HIGHER IN CLOSING TRADE

CHICAGO, Dec. 24 (AP)—Grain futures advanced in today's short pre-holiday session, influenced by reports of new export demand for flour and corn.

For the first hour traders were inclined to drift along in a quiet way, but when commission houses with southwestern and eastern connections started buying, prices advanced quickly.

Early bookings today were 85,000 bushels. Some Iowa corn has been received and one elevator company has estimated that only about a quarter of the Illinois corn crop has moved to terminals.

There was report that Belgium is in the market for relatively heavy supplies of flour and corn.

Sir John Boyd Orr, director general of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, predicted in statement a critical food shortage before the coming year's harvest.

The board announced that trading in the September delivery of oats will begin December 26.

LOCAL CASH GRAIN.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE, Dec. 24—In the cash grain market today corn was 1@1½c higher; sales 3 cars. Wheat was steady; 1 car sold.

Sales were as follows:
Wheat—Red winter No. 2, $2.35.
Corn—Yellow No. 4, $1.28@1.29¾; No. 5, $1.26½.

LOCAL GRAIN RECEIPTS.

Local grain receipts today and a week ago were: Wheat 24 cars and 23; Corn 26 and 34; oats 14 and 4; soybeans 1 and none. No comparison with a year ago account of holiday.

FUTURE GRAIN PRICES

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE, Dec. 24.

	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
WHEAT.				
Chi Jan	211¼	210	211¼	210¾b
Chi Mar	203½	201½	203¾	201⅞
Chi May	194	192¼	193¾	192½-⅝
Chi July	177⅝	176¼	177⅝-½	176½
KC Mar	.....	.....	196¾b	195½a
KC May	187	185½	186⅞	185½
KC July	171	169¾	170⅞	169⅝
Min May	191⅝	189¾	191⅜	190¼
CORN.				
Chi Jan	132	130¾	131½-⅜	131⅛-31
Chi Mar	130	128⅞	129¾-⅝	129⅛-29
Chi May	129⅝	128⅝	129¼-⅛	128¾
Chi July	128⅛	127	127⅝	127¼b
KC Jan	126¾	125⅞	126⅝	126¼
KC Mar	126⅝	126½	126⅝	126⅛a
KC May	.....	.....	126¼b	127a
KC July	.....	.....	126¼b	125⅞n
OATS.				
Chi Mar	76	74¾	75⅞-76	75⅛-75
Chi May	70⅛	69	69⅞-70	69⅞
Chi July	65⅛	64¼	64⅞	64⅛
Min May	66⅞	65⅞	66¾	66
BARLEY.				
Chi Mar	129¼	129⅛	129⅛a	129¼b

NEW YORK CURB MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Closing prices on a representative list of securities traded in on the New York Curb Exchange today follow:

Security.	Close.	Security.	Close.
Aireon Mfg	5⅛	IntPetrol h½	13⅝
Alaska Airl	4⅜	Kaiser-Frazer	7⅞
AmBantCar	4⅜	Laclede-Christy	12½
AmRepub ½e	22¼	Mid-WestC ½e	21⅞
Am Superpow	1¾	NatBellH .20e	4
ArkNatGas A	5⅛	NatUnRad	4⅜
AtlasCorp war	6⅛	NiagHudPw	10¼
Barium Stl	5½	Pan-AmAirw war	3⅜
Bunk H&S ½a	18¾	PantepecOil 64	12⅞
Cities Serv	28	Pennroad ¼e	5¾
ClaudNLts ¼e	3½	RaytheonMfg	12¼
CoroInc 1.60a	13⅞	StLawr Corp	8⅞
Creole Pet 1¾e	31	Schul (DA) .40	5⅞
CubAtlSug 1½a	26⅝	StarrettCorp	7
ElBond&Sh	17⅛	SterlingInc ½	13¼
FansteelMet¼e	21¼	UnitLt&R 1	26½
Fedders-Qu .60	14	VenezuelPet	6
Glen Ald C 2	18¼	Wright-Harg .16	2 15-16
Grayson-Rob 1	13¾		
Hussman-Lig 1a	24¾		

DIVIDEND MEETING RESULTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The General Tire & Rubber Co. declared an extra dividend of $1 a share on the common, payable Jan. 16 to stock of record Jan. 6.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Schenley Distillers Corp. announced for the quarter ended Nov. 30 consolidated net profit of $19,385,665, equal to $5.38 a common share. This compared with $13,415,695, or $3.72 a common share, for that period a year ago. The report said share earnings are based on presently outstanding 3,600,000 common shares. The 1946 net is after deducting $1,200,000 for inventory adjustments and contingencies.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—Directors of Webster Tobacco Co. declared a stock dividend of one share of common for each 10 shares held. Certificates will be issued to holders of record Jan. 15 and payment will be made as soon thereafter as possible.

HERSHEY, Pa., Dec. 24 (AP)—The Hershey Chocolate Co. declared an extra dividend of $1 a share on convertible preference stock, payable Feb. 15 to stockholders of record Jan. 25.

THIRD-QUARTER SAVINGS BELOW PREVIOUS PERIOD

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Savings of individuals throughout the United States during the third quarter of 1946 were down from the previous quarter's level, reflecting an increase in consumer expenditures, the Securities and Exchange Commission reported.

The SEC analysis of savings, included unincorporated business, showed a total of $4,300,000,000 for the third quarter.

VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

ST. LOUIS PRODUCE MARKET, Dec. 24—Market as reported by the St. Louis Daily Market Reporter:

POTATOES—100-lb sks West. Red No. 1 $2.85@3.50; No. 1 russets, $3@3.40; Nor. red, $2.25@2.50; white $1.85@2.25; h-g boxes white $1.25@1.50.

ONIONS—50-lb sks West, yellow, $1@1.60; white, $3; Nor yel, $1@1.10; red, $1.25.

ARTICHOKES—Calif., boxes, $6.50@7.

BEANS—Fla., wax, hpr, $1.50@4; lima beans, $5.50@6.

BEETS—H-g boxes, 60@75c; Tex. ½ crts, $2.35@2.50.

BROCCOLI—West. crts, $5@5.50; Tex. ½ crts, $3.25@3.50.

BRUSSEL SPROUTS—Calif. 25 lbs, $3@4.50.

CABBAGE—Nor. and East. 50-lb sks, 80c@1.10; red, $1.85; Tex. and West., 50 lbs, $1.50@2; crts, $3.25@3.75.

CARROTS—West. crts 6s, $3@4.25; Tex. $3.50@4; Nor. 50 lbs, $1.15; h-g bnchs doz, 25@40c; boxes 40@50c.

CAULIFLOWER—West. crts, $1.25@1.90.

CELERY—West, crts pascal best, $2.75@3.25; gold heart, best $3.75@4.25; Fla. g h $3.75@4.

CELERY CABBAGE—H-g box, 85c@$1.25.

CELERY ROOTS—Wis., bu $2.75.

COLLARDS—H-g box, 35@60c.

CUCUMBERS—Fla., bu, $6@8.

EGGPLANT—Sou. bu $2.50@3.

ENDIVE—Tex., ½ crts, $2.25@2.50; West. crts $4.

ESCAROLE—Tex., ½ crts, $2; West. crts $4@4.25.

GARLIC—Calif. per lb, 22c; Ill., 25c.

GREEN ONIONS—H-g bnchs doz, 45c.

HORSERADISH—Nearby, bulk per cwt net to growers, No. 1, $9@12; No. 2, $6.50@7; trimmings, $2.50.

LEEKS—H-g bchs, doz, 75c.

KALE—Ky. bu, $1.15.

MUSHROOMS—Midw, pts, 18@25c; lbs, 30@40c; h-g pts, 18c.

LETTUCE—West. crts, 4s-5s, $3.50@5; poorer, $1.50@3.25; Ill., Ind. and Mo. bu leaf, $1@1.25; Ohio, 10 lbs, 85c.

MUSTARD—Sou bu. $1.25@1.40.

PARSLEY—Tex ½ crts, $3.25@3.50.

PARSNIPS—Nor ½ bu, $1.25; h-g box, $1.25@2.

PEPPER—Sou. bu, $2@3.

PEAS—Calif. bu, $3; Tex blackeye, per lb, 5@10c.

RADISHES—Tex ½ crts red, $1.90@2.25.

RUTABAGAS—Can., 50 lbs, wax, $1.10.

SALSIFY—H-g, bchs, doz, $1@1.25.

SHALLOTS—La., bbls, $17.

SPINACH—Tex. bu, $1.25@1.40; pks, doz, $1.75; h-g bu, 40@65c.

SQUASH—H-g bu, acorn, 90c; Nor acorn, $1.25; Fla., white hpr, $4@4.50.

SWEET POTATOES — Sou. crts, Puerto Rico No. 1 $3.25@3.65; n. halls, $2.50; h-g nancy hall, bu $1.50@225; Puerto Rican. $2@2.75.

TOMATOES—Tex., repacked lugs, $3.50@4.50; 1-lb carton, 12@16c.

TURNIPS — H-g boxes, 40@65c; Sou. bchs, doz, $1; Tex. crts, $2.50@3.

TURNIP TOPS—Sou bu, $1.25@1.40.

FRUIT MARKET

APPLES—Mo-Ill. bu various varieties No. 1, $2.25@3.75; willowtwig No. 1 best, $2.40@2.50; lower grades, $1.50@2.75; Mich $2.75@3.50 Wash box, $2.50@4.75.

BANANAS—Per lb, 10@12½c.

CRANBERRIES—Wis. and Mass., 25-lb box, $8@8.50.

PEARS—Wash., box, $4@6.

GRAPES—Calif. lugs, best, $4@4.75.

STRAWBERRIES—Fla., pts, 25@35c.

KUMQUATS—Fla. 32 qts, $4.50.

ORANGES—Calif. boxes, auction sales, $3.50@6.50; Tex. and Fla. including auction resales, $2.25@3.25.

LEMONS—West auction resales,, $4.50@8.50.

TANGERINES—Fla., 4-5 bu, auction, resales $2.50@3.25.

GRAPEFRUIT—Tex. white including auction, resales, $2@4.25; per box; pink, $2.25@2.75.

ST. LOUIS STOCKS

ST. LOUIS STOCK EXCHANGE, Dec. 24—Stock sales amounted to 795 shares, compared with 1478 Monday.

Range and sales for the day follow:

Ann. Div. in Dollars.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.	Net Ch'ge.
AmInv .60a	75	12½	12½	12½	....
GenElec 1.60	35	35¾	35⅝	35⅝	....
GenSh 1.60b	25	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛	*¼
LacledeG .30a	50	6¼	6¼	6¼	—⅛
LacledeStl 1a	10	23	23	23	....
MoPCem 1a	100	20½	20½	20½	*⅜
StLPSA .75a	40	10¼	10¼	10¼	*¼
StB&F.68¾a	450	19½	19½	19½	*½
WagnerEl .2a	10	40¾	40¾	40¾	—¼

a-Paid or declared in current fiscal year. b-Paid in last fiscal year. f-Paid in stock. k-33 1-3 per cent in stock.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Closing quotations on securities whose bids or offers change.

SECURITY.	Bid.	Asked.
Am. Inv. .60a	12⅛	13
Burkart Mfg. 1b	15½	16½
Century Elec. ½a	7¾	8
Coca-Cola Bottl 1a	26	27
Huttig S. & D. 2.85a	25	28
Int. Shoe 1.80	37	37½
Laclede Christy ¾ak	12⅝	13
Laclede Gas .30a	6¼	6½
Laclede Steel 1a	23	25
McQuay-Norris 1.50a	26	29½
Mo. Port. Cem. 1a	20	21½
St. L. Pub. Ser. ¾a	10	10½
Scruggs V. B. 1a	65	68⅞
Sterling Alum. 2.40a	28	28½
Stix, Baer & F. 68¾a	19	19¾
Wagner Elec. 2a	40½	42

M-K-T Report

Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines report income after fixed charges for November of $178,000, compared with $279,000 for November 1945. Net income after adjustment bond interest was $121,000, against $223,000. For the 11 months income after fixed charges was $2,088,000, against $4,354,000 for the same period last year. Net income after adjustment bond interest, $1,467,000, against $3,732,000.

Midwest Piping Dividend.

Midwest Piping and Supply Co., Inc., directors voted a dividend of 15 cents a share on the common stock payable Jan. 15 to stockholders of record Jan. 7.

Local Bank Clearings.

Local bank clearings for Dec. 24 were $46,800,000. Debits to individual accounts for Dec. 23 were $80,300,000.

Registers Issues With SEC.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24 (AP)—Swift & Co., Chicago, registered $50,000,000 of debentures with the Securities and Exchange Commission in a proposed financing program to retire outstanding serial and term debentures amounting to $18,750,000 and to provide long-term capital funds.

The registration includes $35,000,000 25-year debentures due Jan. 1, 1972, and $15,000,000 serial debentures. Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, New York, is principal underwriter.

The serial debenture, which will be due $1,500,000 each Jan. 1, 1948, through 1957, will be offered publicly at 100 per cent and the offering price of the 25-year debentures will be supplied by amendment.

$20,000,000 E. T. Certificates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP)—The Interstate Commerce Commission authorized the New York Central Railroad to assume obligation for $20,000,000 of equipment trust certificates. The proceeds will help finance purchase of 66 Diesel locomotives and 207 cars.

Columbia Gas Plan Approved.

PHILADELPHIA Dec. 24 (AP)—The Securities and Exchange Commission approved today a series of transactions proposed by Columbia Gas & Electric Corp., New York, to eliminate four subsidiaries through dissolution.

Recommend Corporation's Dissolution.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24 (AP)—The management of Cliffs Corp. today recommended dissolution of the concern.

Cliffs Corp. directors, it was said, will meet Friday to approve the recommendation, after which the proposal will be referred to stockholders early in January.

COTTON MARKET CLOSES 95C TO $1.85 HIGHER

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP)—The cotton market was firm in pre-holiday trading today. There was a fair amount of evening-up operations with the trade on both sides of the market.

Mills covered contracts against textile orders aggressively in the 1946 crop deliveries.

Futures closed 95 cents to $1.85 a bale higher than the previous close.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Ch'ge.
Mch	32.66	32.85	32.62	32.85	*25
May	32.12	32.30	32.10	32.27-30	*19*21
July	30.81	30.99	30.73	30.99	*23
Oct.	27.52	27.77	27.40	27.76	*34
Dec.	26.98	27.35	26.98	27.35n	*37
March 1948	....	....	....	26.95n	*37

Middling spot 33.95n, up 27.
n-Nominal.

FURTHER SHARP RISE IN PRICES OF HOGS

NATIONAL STOCKYARDS, Ill., Dec. 24—(USDA)—HOGS—Total receipts, 5200; salable, 5000; market active; mostly 75c@$1.25 higher than average Monday; spots of weights over 300 lbs and under 150 lbs only 50c up: bulk good and choice 170-270 lbs, $23.50@24; top $24.25 sparingly; 280-300 lbs mostly $23@23.50; odd lots heavier weights down to $22.25; 130-150 lbs, $20.50@22.50; 100-120 lbs $19@21; bulk sows 500 lbs down, $19.50@20.50 heavier weights $18.50@19.50; most stags $15@17.

CATTLE—Total receipts 2700; salable 2500; calves, total receipts 1400; salable 1200; active and fully steady on all classes; good steers largely $23.60@25; medium to low good $19@21; good heifers and mixed yearlings around $20@22; medium to low good $15@20; common and medium beef cows, $12@15; a few good around $16; canners and cutters, $10@11.50; good beef bulls, $16.25; medium to good sausage bulls, $13@16; choice vealers $1.50 higher at $29.50; good to choice, $18@28.25; medium to low good, $14@17.50.

SHEEP—Total receipts 1500; all salable; receipts light; lambs active; steady to strong with top 50c higher; ewes steady; most good and choice wool lambs $22@22.50; few lots top good and choice to small killers, $23; medium and good mostly $17.50@21; deck cull to medium southwest lambs $15; cull and common throwouts $12@14; slaughter ewes $7.50 down.

BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY

ST. LOUIS BUTTER, EGG AND POULTRY EXCHANGE, Dec. 24—The butter, egg and poultry market as reported by "The St. Louis Daily Market Reporter":

Butter extras were 1½c lower today, 1½c decline yesterday.

EGGS—Base price on receivers to shippers, cases returned. Wholesale reselling generally 1@2c above these prices. Extras 45c; standards, 39c; current receipts, 36c; pullets, 27c.

POULTRY—Paying prices of wholesale receivers to shippers. Wholesale resale prices 1-2c above these quotations: Fowl, heavy breeds, 26c; leghorns, 22c; No. 2s, 7@10c; Arkansas roasters and fryers, 35c; nearby fryers, 33c; nearby roasters, 33c; hothouse broilers 24c; leghorn fryers, 25c; black chickens, 22c; No. 2 chickens, 12@15c; old roosters and leghorn stags, 20c; staggy young roosters, 26c; capons, 6 lbs. and up, 45c; under 6 lbs., 43c; slips, 38c; ducks, young white, 30c; old, dark or small, 20c; geese, 32c; turkeys, young hens, 42c, young toms, 18 lbs. and over, 24c; under 18 lbs., 31c; old hens, 30c; old toms, 18c; No. 2s, 16c; guineas, young, 45c; staggy, 35c; old, 25c; dressed squabs, 10 lbs. per doz. (and up), 80c; under 10 lbs., 60c; pigeons, doz., $1.

BUTTER—Per lb., extras, 75½c; 90 score, 73c, and 89 score, 72c.

BUTTERFAT—No. 1 at 76c per lb; at country stations; No. 2, 3c less.

CHEESE—Jobbing prices: Twins and cheddars, 40½c; flats and singles, 40¾c; longhorns, 41½; daisies, 41½c; process (5-lb. leaf), American 43½c.

RABBITS—Fresh killed No. 1, $3 per doz. No. 2's, $1@1.50.

Commodities

NEW YORK, Dec. 24—The Associated Press weighted wholesale price index of 35 commodities (1926 average equals 100):

Tuesday 169.72 Previous day 169.52

	1946	1945	1944	1943
High	169.72	112.81	108.73	107.54
Low	112.02	107.90	106.03	103.43

Commodity prices Tuesday with previous close:

	Tuesday.	Prev. Close.
COTTON, lb	.3395n	.3368n
COFFEE, Santos 4s lb	27¼n	.27¼n
COCOA, lb	.26n	.26
LARD, loose, lb	x x	.23¾
HIDES, light native, lb	.25	.25
FLA&S', bu	7.25	7.25
WOOL TOPS, lb	1.60n	1.60n
CERT. WOOL, lb	.94n	.94n
TURPENTINE, gal	x x	1.21
ROSIN (B), cwt	x x	6.85
LOCAL.		
BRAN, ton	36.50@.75	36.50@.75
FLOUR, hard patent, cwt.	5.92	5.92
†WOOL, lb	.43@.45	.43@.45

a-Asked. b-Bid. n-Nominal. †Mo.-Ill. x x-Not available.

UNITS QUOTATIONS.

Nominal unit bid quotations as furnished by the National Association of Security Dealers, Inc., by dealers or sponsors:

Aeronaut Sec	6.43	InsSecStks&Bds	14.62
Affiliated F Inc	4.72	MassInvestTr	26.17
AmBus Shrs	4.12	MasInv2dFdInc	11.62
Bullock Fund	18.45	NATrSh 1955	3.48
CenturyShrsTr	30.33	PutnamGFund	15.66
ChemicalFund	14.94	RepubInvFund	3.81
Dividend Shrs	1.53	Sel. Am Sh	11.78
Eat&HowBalFd	25.27	StateStr Inv	47.00
Gp Sec Aviation	6.45	USEIL&P 'A'	21.25
IncorpInvestors	24.06	WellingtonFund	18.26

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Verner L. Terrell — 2702A Gamble
Rever Watkins — 2702A Gamble
Louis Gurrieri — 4219 Lee
May Hicks — 2503 Hadley
Roy A. Koehm — Greenfield, Ill.
Mildred Aileen Anderson — 6144 Etzel
William O. Waller — 3417A Caroline
Norma L. Edgar — 4224A Gibson
Jewel E. Edgar — 4224A Goibson
Arzella Stevens — 1208 S. 10th
William K. Fite — Festus
Viola A. Ferguson — Crystal City, Mo.
Henry P. Schrader — 4464 McPherson
Mrs. Velma A. Cox — 1700A N. 20th
David K. Strait — Los Angeles
Bernice S. Raffie — 5851 Plymouth
Paul J. Schmidt — 4432 Oakland
Mrs. Lillian Langwith — 4243 Chouteau
Edward H. Kern — 3320 Robers
Mrs. Lillian Dewyer — Chicago
Charles A. Meyer — Arnold Mo.
Lorene M. Schandler — 3710 Bamberger
Wilbert A. Kingsland — Ferguson
Mrs. Mary V. Beasley — 5190 Cabanne
Joseph Nigro — Omaha, Nebr.
Muriel S. Nochols — 4064 Olive
Thomas W. Kaelin — 4746 Beacon
Doris M. Huskey — 4746A Beacon
Arthur T. Cook — Maplewood
Mrs. Augusta Dietrich — 2010 Oregon
Gus Demetrakis — Clayton
Verna C. Kriepa — Weskey, Iowa
Donald E. White — Long Beach, Calif.
Margaret E. Richter — 4449 Oceola
Russell G. Wagner — 1535 Benton
Mrs. Amelia P. Bruner — 1535A Benton
Harry N. Prater — 512 N. Sarah
Billie E. Dobbs — Wichita, Kan.
James Lindsay — 3432 La Salle
Annie Rogers — East St. Louis
Lee J. Massey — 2106 N. 14th
Lillie M. Fore — 2005 N. Florissant
Darrell D. Morrow — 1735 Preston
Betty L. Baker — 1521 Missouri
Albert R. Fulkerson — 3860 Shenandoah
Frances Henkey — 1275 Hamilton
Ralph Johnson — 4237 N. Broadway
Mrs. Helen M. Campbell — 2013 N. 11th
Ben Williams — 356 Humboldt
Mrs. Essie Curry — 356 Humboldt
Mike Wright — 3105 Laclede
Mrs. Rebecca Brown — 2732A Clark
Edward W. Williams — Cairo
Evelyn I. Berresheim — 2043 Maury
Alpha Bailey — 3651 Finney
Mrs. Emily Owens — 3750A Cook
Charles R. Brand — 2222 S. 12th
Mary J. Lukachik — 5945 Bartmer
Theodore Miller — 3536A Lawton
Sylvia Thompson — 3540 Lawton
Mallory Melton — Kinloch
Elizabeth Mitchell — Kinloch
Charles L. Bradley — 5122 Raymond
Patricia J. Hunt — 3518 Roy
Robert F. Traynor — Chicago
Betty L. Gosney — Ferguson
Gerald H. Moyer — 1410 S. Compton
Gladys L. Wilson — 3008A Henrietta
Kermit F. Stengel — 3431 Abner
Dorothy Jedrzykowska — Baden
Urban F. Smith — 221 N. Sarah
Norma E. Hinkle — 4362 Lindell
Claude C. Stahl — 2716 Baldwin
Helen L. Klitz — 3915 Greer
L. Louis Goldstein — 1415 Temple
Bernice Weintraub — 1368 Blackstone
Britt River — 519 Gratiot
Mrs. Lena Dunnavant — 519 Gratiot
Joseph W. Glenn — 4105 Magnolia
Mrs. Jeannette F. Humme—4006 Nat'l Bridge
Charles A. Peltz — 4419 Eichelberger
Elsa V. Larson — 215 S. Taylor
Fred Smith — Koch Hospital
Mrs. Willa M. White — 1014A Frey
Edward Branham — 1305A N. Vandeventer
Helen M. Davis — 1709 Lovejoy
John W. Gray — Bloomington, Ind.
Jean E. Davis — 6717 Arsenal
Joseph Dimercurio — 3950 Ashland
Ethel Behr — 1920½ S. Broadway
Walter G. Bowles — 1210 S. Newstead
Dorothy L. Pearce — 4366 Swan
James Horskin — 1127 N. Grand
Essie M. Hayes — 3018A Brantner
George F. Lewey — Webster Groves
Roma I. Cox — Webster Groves
Floyd R. Russell — 6723 Crest
Maclyn A. Hunton — 5536 Pershing
Olliver Skaggs — 1016 Childress
Mrs. Bertha M. Cook — 5070 Ridge
George S. M. Jeppert — 1915 Hickory
Thelma O. Henshaw — 1801 Hickory
Vincent F. Attyberry — 1716 Cora
Deborah Jones — 4625 Page
Ezell Ray — 2120 Chestnut
Odessa Rowlett — 2724A Lucas
A. V. Snider — 747 N. Euclid
Kathryn V. Whitfield — 4036 Olive
Harry W. Medley — 1760 Missouri
Mrs. Minnie E. Breeden — 1760 Missouri
Carl T. Jones — 4360 St. Louis
Gladys Stowers — 908 Cass
Frank W. Ward — 2405 S. 2nd
Mrs. Minnie E. Larch — 2405 S. 2nd
Andrew O. Phillips — Alton
Mrs. Ida E. Slenker — 4052 Westminster
Felix Mitchell — 3712 Finney
Mrs. Cosnellie Stanley — 3712 Finney
Robert H. Bulmahn — 3442 Illinois
Elizabeth M. Olson — 6517A Joseph
George M. Hampel — Iron Mountain, Mich.
Evelyn A. Lucas — Clayton
George H. Myer — 3610A McDonald
Mrs. Margaret G. Lupo — 3949 Lafayette
Oscar R. Harris — 1228 S. 14th
Mary E. Couch — 1228 S. 14th
Charles V. Crider — 6152 Gambleton
Mrs. Irene Strattman — 4133 Russell
Harris Owens — 2330 Park
Euphemia Cunningham — 1301 Park
John W. Owens — 3018A Franklin
Mrs. Mary Davis — 3018 Franklin
Bert W. Moore — 5728 Cote Brilliante
Martha J. Keeler — Ft. Worth, Tex.
Elston A. Palmer — 3303 Laclede
Earline Taylor — 3303A Laclede
Charles W. Penn — 4422 Enright
Edith Siford — 4426A Enright
Nathaniel Spann — 1911 Division
Eldora McClendon — 2243 Clark
Clarence E. Sanders — 3931 Delmar
Arlene J. Norman — 3907 Delmar
Theodore F. Holloway — La Salle Hotel
Martha F. Hensley — La Salle Hotel

BIRTHS RECORDED.

Important to parents of children born in Greater St. Louis: If your names do not appear in the birth column within two weeks after the birth of your child, call the physician or midwife and insist that a record be sent to the Board of Vital Statistics, Room No. 10, Municipal Courts Building.

BOYS.

E. and E. Davidson (twin), 1905½A Cole.
R. and O. Harvey, 620 Beaumont.
W. and C. Kennedy, 4033 Garfield.
H. and E. Thomas, 1443 N. Eighteenth.
E. and E. Johnson, 2809A Howard.
L. and M. Nelson, 3425 Pine.
J. and W. Pointer, 2130 Carr.
A. and L. Watson, 2829 Easton.
W. and A. Hamilton, 3644 Cook.
J. and J. Hampson, Overland.
L. and H. Wasser, Overland.
W. and F. Klein, 5457 Thrush.
R. and R. Stoffel, 5405 Vernon.
A. and G. Hennen (twin), 2723A Bacon.
J. and U. Morris, 5918 DeGiverville.
C. and V. Pedigo, 1916 E. Warne.
G. and V. McGrath, 2013A Obear.
P. and M. Murphy, 5219 Minerva.
J. and A. Hoing, 9626 Trefford.
W. and A. Meyer, 6305A Sutherland.
W. and E. Henderson, Jennings.
E. and C. Moody, Overland.
D. and F. Patterson, Overland.
R. and V. Pearce, 1415 N. Union.
T. and E. Turner, Carsonville.
R. and A. Kappesser, 4233 W. San Francisco.
S. and A. Kuhlo, 2325A Warren.
P. and L. McEnaney, 3507 N. 23rd.
O. and A. Hoffman, 1525 Louisville.
J. and K. Hartnett, 2913 Bailey.
A. and V. Nickelson, 1934 Arsenal.
E. and V. Meyer, Normandy.
V. and E. Koch, Normandy.
O. and H. Trampe, Normandy.
D. and H. Talley, 6135 Ridge.
R. and M. Bourne, 4258 Prairie.
B. and J. Fechter, 4228 Red Bud.
P. and M. DiMaria, 2320A Warren.
A. and E. Lafser, Wellston.
C. and C. Schinsky, 3842 Sullivan.
G. and E. Hinnrichs, 4930 St. Louis.
E. and D. Toal, 3227 Barrett.
J. and E. Hunnefeld, 5574 Pershing.
L. and D. Darrow, Overland.
W. and L. Sheahan, Normandy.
J. and T. Rutherford, Ferguson.
D. and D. Brewer, 3654A Montana.
R. and A. Kincade, 4830A Ashland.
J. and J. McManemy, 2115A Cass.
H. and D. Manne, 5559 Powers.
J. and J. Harp, 2213 Benton.

GIRLS

S. and M. McDaniels, 3943 Fairfax.
R. and Q. Davis, 1104 N. 19th.
A. and L. McCaltchie, 1503 N. Leffingwell.
E. and E. Davidson (twin) 1905½A Cole.
T. and I. Patton, 4446A W. Belle.
R. and E. Yates, 3315 LaSalle.
W. and N. Johnson, 2835 Lucas.
F. and B. Teare, Overland.
F. and B. Fields, Overland.
E. and V. Niederecker, Ferguson.
J. and E. Klausner, 4739 St. Louis.
R. and M. Avery, 5702 Maple.
A and G. Hennen (twin), 2723A Bacon.
F. and M. Florey, 4328A Warne.
C. and R. Moore (twins), 1555 Tamm.
C. and L. Eatherton, 4459 Shaw.
R. and E. Anderson, 4102A Red Bud.
M. and V. Fainberg, 1605 S. Jefferson.
J. and D. McNamee, 6917 Field.
R. and J. Nocella, University City.
L. and M. Bugele, Overland.
M. and L. Dalton, Normandy.
H. and I. Wyrsch, Jennings.
R. and R. Heitert, 5807A S. Kingshighway.
J. and M. Kanney, Overland.
M. and R. Soppeland, 4231 Darby.
H. and R. Day, 5536 Pershing.
C. and E. Toeniskoetter, St. Louis County.
W. and I. Kauffman, 2337 Dodier.
M. and L. Noonan, 5446 Oriole.
K. and A. Patton, 1849A N. Market.
P. and C. Uskiwich, 3632A Hebert.
F. and V. Gauding, Rockhill Village.
E. and D. Morfia, 1315A Sullivan.
W. and R. Owen, Margona Village.
C. and M. Grimm, St. Charles.
R. and L. McAdams, Berkeley.
K. and C. O'Donnell, 5819A Cote Brilliante.
L. and D. Lansing, 1927A College.
W. and D. Harris, 5361 Minerva.
G. and J. Hulett, 5010A Kensington.
E. and S. Hussman, 4021B N. 22nd.
A. and W. Haynes, 5065 Kensington.
L. and M. Wollbrinck, 1524 Giesecking.
T. and L. Gaffney, 4156A Maffitt.
A. and Z. Weinrich, Overland.
A. and E. Hutson, Clayton.
W. and D. Nichols, 5055 Thrush.
T. and C. Moorman, 5208A Ashland.
P. and E. Stewart, 4550A Lexington.
J. and M. Rochel, 2519 Benton.

BURIAL PERMITS

Florence E. Linaker, 71, 4900 West Pine.
Senora Smith, 30, 4316A Oregon.
Albert McQueen, 34, 1815 Coleman.
Mary Szelongski, 74, 4128 Riverview.
Catherine Ritter, 54, 2342 S. 9th.
Fred Wisehan, 59, 3442 Orgeon.
Wm. B. DeYong, 70, 2632 S. 13th.
Rose Reaktenwald, 70, 3516 Humphrey.
Stephen J. Howland, 37, 3937 Kennerly.
Sammie Brown, 19, 1826 Biddle.
Luther J. Exum, 2, 3410 Pine.
Chas. Fuqua, 59, 1447 Francis.
Mary Golliker, 60, 2611A St. Vincent.
Harry Trask, 75, 3737 Westminster.
Ella Thomas, 56, 2626 Papin.
Robert J. Blanke, 52, 6028 Thekla.
Bertha J. French, 54, 3948 Garfield.
James Harris, 40, 2829 Spruce.
Frances Rosel, 59, 4250 Neosho.
George Schmidt, 60, 2210A Miami.
Nicholas Revland, 90, 2014 Hickory.
Theresa Politte, 76, 1437 S. 9th.
Minnie Kash, 53, 5930A Wabada.
Della V. Dyer, 41, 2728 Stoddard.
Delores Miller, 16, 1307A Biddle.
Levy Whitfield, 67, 2832 Papin.

DIVORCES GRANTED.

Mary from Joseph Tobias.
Bettie R. from William E. Harry.
Betty J. from George W. Zimmer.
Rose O. from James P. McLaughlin.
Lorraine M. from Robert Lee Land.
Mabel V. from Elmer B. Schmidt.
Leona E. from Edwin C Haack.
Adele from Harry Obermoeller.
Yeteve T. from Robert K. Gifford.
Lee from Gladys M. Kane.
Ruth from Anthony J. Paluskas.
Hazel from Carson Webb.
Nora from William Zavadil.
Hazel P. from Emil Hofstetter.
Edith from Robert Alexander.
Catherine from Verlan Weaver.

DEATHS

BARKEY, CONRAD C. — 3618 Connecticut st., asleep in Jesus, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 9 a.m., beloved husband of Alvina Barkey (nee Decker), dear father of Walter, Herbert, Ervin and the late Emma, Helen, Elmer and Verona Barkey, dear grandfather of Howard, Shirley, Norman and Arline Barkey, dear great-grandfather of Susan Barkey, our dear father-in-law, brother-in-law and uncle, in his 80th year.

Body will lie in state at BEIDERWIEDEN South Side Funeral Home, 3620 Chippewa st., until 12 noon Thurs. Services same day, 2:30 p.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Ohio and Miami sts. Interment New Picker Cemetery. Deceased was a member of St. Louis Master Painters' Assn.

BARNETT, DR. CECIL E.—Of Lockett rd., Kirkwood, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, husband of Ruth Barnett (nee Maschoff), father of Cecil E. Jr., Lt. Julian H., Dr. Norman H., William D., Joseph S. and Audrey M. Barnett, son of Mrs. Anna and the late Silas Barnett.

Funeral Thurs., 2 p.m., from the BOPP Chapel, 131 W. Argonne dr., Kirkwood. Interment Sunset Burial Park. Dr. Barnett was a member of St. Louis County Medical Society, Kirkwood Lodge No. 484 A.F. & A.M., Scottish Rite and Rabboni Chapter No. 131 R.A.M.

BORCHARDT, EDWARD W. — Morse Mill, Mo., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, beloved husband of Olive Borchardt (nee Farnum), dear father of Eldon and Donald Borchardt, dear brother of William Borchardt, Margaret Spaeter, Bertha Spaeter and Ama Remmers, Ottilie Borchardt, dear brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral from the SOUTHERN Funeral Home, 6322 S. Grand blvd., Thurs., Dec. 26, 3 p.m. Interment Sunset Burial Park.

BRAMMER, JULIA ANN (nee Hoffman) —Pattonville, Mo., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 8:45 p.m., fortified with the Sacraments of Holy Mother Church, beloved wife of the late Hugh Brammer, dear mother of Hubert and Fred Brammer, dear sister, sister-in-law, mother-in-law, grandmother, aunt and cousin.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 8:30 a.m., from COLLIER'S Colonial Funeral Home, 10123 St. Charles rd., to St. Gregory Church. Interment Mount Lebanon Cemetery.

BRAY, LORA — 3305 Calvert av., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, wife of the late William R. Bray, beloved mother of Mabel Barnett, Daisy Jensen, John W. Bray, Nellie Burkett and Gaylon Bray, our dear sister, grandmother, great-grandmother, mother-in-law and aunt.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:15 p.m., from BAUMANN BROS.' Funeral Home, 2504 Woodson rd., Overland. Interment Lake Charles Park.

BRIGHT, JAMES M. SR.—Conway and Lindbergh, fortified with the Sacraments of Holy Mother Church, Dec. 23, husband of Mary Bright (nee O'Connell), father of Mrs. Dorothy Bradley, James Jr., Rosemary, Ruth, Mary Jane and John Bright.

Funeral Thurs., 8:30 a.m., from the BOPP Chapel, Hanley and Forsythe, Clayton, to Our Lady of the Pillar Church, 9 a.m. Interment St. Peter's Cemetery. Mr. Bright was a member of Holy Name Society.

BROADHEAD, SOPHIA V.—4011 McRee av., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, dear mother of Charles (Bucky) Broadhead, dear sister, mother-in-law, grandmother of Frederick Broadhead and Virginia Baker, dear great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother and aunt.

Funeral from KRIEGSHAUSER Chapel, 4104 Manchester av., Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:30 p.m. Interment New St. Marcus Cemetery.

BURNETTE, BYRON P.—3809 Folsom av., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, dear husband of Margaret Burnette, dear father of Coletta Jean and Brady Phillip Burnette, dear son of Edward Burnette, dear brother of Lacey and Ellsworth Burnette and Mrs. Dorothy Mattox and dear son-in-law.

Funeral from KRIEGSHAUSER Mortuary, 4228 S. Kingshighway blvd., Thurs., 10 a.m. Interment St. Matthew's Cemetery.

CHENOT, LOUISE (nee Mees)—616 Bates, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 11:45 p.m., beloved wife of Clarence F. Chenot, dear mother of Mary, Clarence, Julian, James (Helaire) Chenot and Betty Fuchs, our dear sister, sister-in-law, mother-in-law, grandmother, aunt and cousin, in her 56th year.

Funeral Fri., Dec. 27, 8:30 a.m., from JOS. F. FENDLER JR. Funeral Home, 7128 Michigan at Nagel, to St. Cecilia's Church. Interment New SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

American War Dad Victory Chapter No. 54 will meet at funeral home, 8 p.m. Thursday.

COLEMAN, KENNETH L. — 4247 De Tonty st., on Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, beloved husband of Lillian F. Coleman (nee Stamm), dear father of Lillian Virginia, our dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral from WITT BROS. Chapel, 2929 S. Jefferson ave., Thurs. at 2 p.m., to New St. Marcus Cemetery.

DEGNAN, CATHERINE (nee Walsh)—2606 N. Union, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 12:15 a.m., beloved wife of the late Charles B. Degnan, dear mother of Charles J. Degnan and the late Mary Degnan, dear sister of Anna Hines, Josephine Davis, Margaret Walsh and William Walsh, our dear mother-in-law, sister-in-law and aunt.

Funeral from SULLIVAN'S, Euclid at St. Louis avs., Thurs., Dec. 26, 8:30 a.m., to Blessed Sacrament Church. Interment Calvary.

DEUBACH, WILLIAM F.—Tues., Dec. 24, 1946, 8 a.m., at Memorial Home, beloved father of J. Will Deubach and Adele Schmidt.

Mr. Deubach in state at CRAIG Funeral Home, 4468 Washington bl., Wed., until Thurs., 9 a.m. Services 10:30 a.m., Memorial Home, 2609 S. Grand. Interment St. Matthew's Cemetery.

DIDDEA, WILLIAM JAMES—649 N. Forest av., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, beloved husband of Emma Belle Smith Diddea.

Funeral Thurs., 9:30 a.m., from MITTELBERG Funeral Home, 23 W. Lockwood bl., Webster Groves. Member of M.W.A.

FERARA, CLARA — 2573 W. Hebert, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, dear sister of Mrs. Marie Cunningham, dear aunt and cousin.

Funeral Thurs., 7:15 a.m., from JOHN L. ZIEGENHEIN & SONS Funeral Home, 7027 Gravois, to St. Augustine's Catholic Church. Interment Calvary Cemetery. Member of Third Order of St. Francis.

FIERSTINE, GOLDA—Dec. 24, 1946, beloved wife of Abe Fierstine, dear mother of Mrs. Bertha Gamm, Mrs. Lenora Greenfield, Mrs. Zelda Karlsberg and Victor Fierstine, our dear grandmother, great-grandmother and mother-in-law.

Funeral from the RINDSKOFF Chapel, 5212 Delmar bl., Wed., 2 p.m. to B'Nai Amoona Cemetery.

GAPSCH, JOHANNA (nee Pruetzel)—Affton, Mo., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 11 p.m., beloved wife of Moritz Gapsch, dear mother of Marie Schmidt, Charles, Henry, Gustave, Moritz and Robert Gapsch, and our dear mother-in-law, grandmother, sister, sister-in-law and aunt.

Remains in state at JOHN L. ZIEGENHEIN & SONS Funeral Home, 7027 Gravois, until 11 a.m., Fri., Dec. 27. Services 2 p. m. at Eden Ev. Church. Interment St. Lucas Cemetery. Mrs. Gapsch was member of Ladies' Aid Society of Eden Church.

HOLMES, VIOLA—8445 Midland, suddenly Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, dear sister J. W. Gosney, dear aunt of Mrs. Robert Wilson and James W. Gosney Jr.

Funeral from DREHMANN-HARRAL Chapel, 1905 Union, 9 a.m., Thurs., Dec. 26. Interment Arcadia, Mo.

JUNGERMANN, HENRY—3117 Iowa, asleep in Jesus, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 4:20 p.m., beloved husband of Amanda Jungermann (nee Kaiser), dear father of Arthur, Elsie, Mrs. Clarence Koester and the late Henry G. L. Jungermann, our dear brother, father-in-law, brother-in-law, grandfather, uncle, nephew and cousin in his 71st year.

Body will lie in state after 6 p.m. Tues. at BEIDERWIEDEN South Side Funeral Home, 3620 Chippewa, until 8 a.m. Thurs. Services same day, 10 a.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Ohio and Miami sts. Interment St. Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Deceased was a member of Concordia Aid Association, Branch No. 2

LADT, FREDA—Dec. 24, 1946, widow of the late Charles A. Ladt, dear mother of Mrs. Lida Weller and Norma Ladt, sister of Ralph and Henry Mandelstamm, our grandmother.

Funeral from BERGER Memorial, McPherson at Walton, Thurs., 10:30 a.m.

Want Ads Omitted Today

Because of the serious shortage of print paper all Want Ads except Lost and Found are omitted today.

Death Notices will appear as usual in all editions.

Publication of all Want Ads will be resumed Thursday, December 26.

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

DEATHS

KUTCHER, CHARLES W. — 4036A Penrose, entered into rest Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 2:10 a.m., dearly beloved son of Minnie M Kutcher (nee Ermeling) and the late Charles Kutcher, dear brother of Robert J. Kutcher, dear nephew and cousin.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 2 p.m., from MATH HERMANN & SONS Chapel, Fair and W. Florissant. Interment St. John's Cemetery. Mr. Kutcher was a veteran of World War II.

LEAHY, LAWRENCE P.—2946 N. Prairie av., Tues., Dec. 24, 1946, husband of the late Elizabeth Leahy (nee Feehan), dear brother of Katie Leahy, beloved father of Edward L. and Catherine Leahy, dear nephew and cousin.

Funeral from ARTHUR J. DONNELLY Parlors, 3840 Lindell bl., Fri., Dec. 27, 8:30 a.m., to St. Teresa's Church, Grand and North Market. Interment Calvary.

LEU, SHEREEN—2819 S. Eighteenth st., Dec. 24, 1946, 3:30 a.m., darling daughter of Albert and Marcella Leu, our dear grandchild, niece and cousin.

Funeral from KUTIS Funeral Home, 2906 Gravois, Sat., Dec. 28, 1:30 p.m. Interment New St. Marcus Cemetery.

MANDEL, WILLIAM G.—4217 Connecticut, suddenly Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, beloved son of Harry E. and Fern Mandel (nee Holleman), dear brother of Harry E. Mandel Jr., dear grandson, great-grandson, nephew and cousin.

Funeral from WITT BROS. Chapel, 2929 S. Jefferson av., Fri., 1:30 p.m., to New Picker Cemetery. Deceased was a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 63.

MATTOX, ALLEN W.—3365 Brown rd., suddenly Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, beloved husband of Bessie Mattox (nee Cook), dear father of Margaret Rector, Dorothy New, Ida Bell Wheeler, Martha Roussin, our dear brother, grandfather, father-in-law, brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 3 p.m., from BAUMAN BROS.' Funeral Home, 2504 Woodson rd., Overland. Interment Fee Fee Cemetery.

MECKFESSEL, PAULINE C. — 3706 Pine Grove av., Mon. Dec. 23, 1946, beloved wife of Fred B. Meckfessel, dear mother of Fred Jr., Harriet, Donald and Dorothy Meckfessel, our dear mother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law and aunt.

Funeral from DREHMANN-HARRAL Chapel, 1905 Union bl., 10:30 a.m. Thurs., Dec. 26 to Missouri Crematory.

MUENTER, J. L.—Of Hoyleton, Ill., entered into rest Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, brother of Mrs. William C. Heseman of Hoyleton, Mrs. Edward Eckert of Enid, Okla., Mrs. Lou Hill of Pueblo, Colo., brother-in-law and uncle.

Mr. Muenter at rest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Heseman. Funeral Fri., Dec. 27, 2 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church at Hoyleton. Interment Church Cemetery.

NESTER, EDWARD J.—1720 Weiman av., East St. Louis, Ill., formerly of 3966 Schiller pl., Thurs., Dec. 19, 1946, beloved husband of Anna Nester (nee Hoppe), dear father of Dorothy Follmer, George, Cpl. Edward Nester, U.S.A., and Carolyn Ann, dear son of Frances Nieland, dear brother, brother-in-law, father-in-law, grandfather and uncle.

Funeral from MOYDELL'S, Mississippi and Allen avs. Notice of time later. Member of I.B.E.W., Local No. 1145.

NOTT, MARIE L.—5346 Maple av., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, widow of John Nott, dear mother of Marie, John, Charles Nott and Mrs. Minerva Yellen, our dear mother-in-law and grandmother.

Funeral from DREHMANN-HARRAL Chapel, 1905 Union blvd., 2 p.m., Thurs., Dec. 26. Interment Hiram Cemetery.

O'BRIEN, HUGH—3525A Louisiana, Mon., Dec., 23, 1946, beloved husband of Florence O'Brien (nee Albrecht), dear brother of Edward, Mrs. James Hennessy and the late Ray O'Brien, dear brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral from the SOUTHERN Funeral Home, 6322 S. Grand bl., Fri., Dec. 27, time later, to Pope St. Pius V Church. Interment Calvary Cemetery. A member of St. Louis Police Funeral Association.

PANNIER, CHARLES—4707A Virginia, Thurs., Dec. 19, 1946, beloved husband of the late Sophia Pannier (nee Franke), dear father of Alma and Clara Hayes, our dear brother, brother-in-law, father-in-law and uncle.

Funeral from the SCHUMACHER Funeral Home, 3013 Meramec st., Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:30 p.m. Interment St. Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. A member of Moloney Benefit Assn.

POETKER, CHARLES F.—4239 Schiller pl., Dec. 23, 1946, 5:45 a.m., beloved husband of Lucy Poetker (nee Theobald), dear father of Esther and June Poetker, dear stepfather of Dorothy Rasp, Marie Benwell, John, Lucille and Donald Moore, dear son of Clara Poetker, our dear brother, brother-in-law, father-in-law, uncle, nephew and cousin.

Funeral from KUTIS Funeral Home, 2906 Gravois, Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:30 p.m. Interment Lakewood Park Cemetery.

RUSSO, JOSEPH—1418 N. Nineteenth st., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, dear son of Mrs. Vita Russo and the late Rosolino Russo, dear brother of Anthony, Sam, Mrs. Joseph Ciaramitaro, Ross and the late Christopher Russo, our dear uncle, brother-in-law and cousin.

Funeral from F. MICELI & SONS Funeral Parlor, 1150 N. Kingshighway, Thurs., Dec. 26, 8 a.m., to Our Lady Help of Christians Church, 9 a.m. Interment Calvary Cemetery. The deceased will lie in state Tues., Dec. 24.

SAHR, MARTHA — Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, daughter of the late Ferdinand and Catherine Kormann Sahr, sister of Anna Sahr, cousin of the Zipf family, and our dear cousin.

Funeral from OSCAR J. HOFFMEISTER Funeral Home, 4016 Chippewa at Gravois, Thurs., Dec. 26, 8:30 a.m., to St. Francis de Sales Church. Interment Old SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

SARLES, IDA (DE CAMP)—Dec. 22, 1946, dear mother of James A., Joseph H. Sarles and Mrs. Henry Koester, dear sister, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and mother-in-law.

Funeral from EDITH E. AMBRUSTER Colonial Funeral Home, 4053 Lindell blvd., Thurs., 1:30 p.m. Interment Old SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

SCHMIDT, JOSEPH B.—1810 Rutger, Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, husband of the late Carrie Schmidt (nee Hoffmann), dear father of Henry F. Schmidt of Lemay, Mo.; Kate Bird of Montpelier, O.; Minnie Wallace, Little Rock, Calif.; Theresa Huskey, dear father-in-law, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Funeral from C. HOFFMEISTER Chapel, 7814 S. Broadway, Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:30 p.m., to St. Paul's Church Yard.

SCHNEIDER, WALTER — 2816A Hadley, entered into rest Monday, Dec. 23, 1946, beloved husband of Mrs. Bessie Schneider (nee Sorth), dear father of Walter Jr., Betty June and Mary Lou, dear son of Mary Schneider, dear brother of Clarence, Carl, Lucillie Nolan, Ray, Chris, Woodrow, Ruth Severck, Loretta Lewis, our dear son-in-law, brother-in-law, uncle and nephew.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 2 p.m., from BEIDERWIEDEN Funeral Home, 1936 St. Louis av. Interment New Picker Cemetery.

SCHOOK, REINHARDT — 1600 Lulu av., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, beloved husband of Louise Schook (nee Mossbacher), dear father of Henry, Mrs. Lucretia Slezak, Mrs. Olivia Becktane, John, Mrs. Louise Griffith, Mrs. Edna Boden, William, Mrs. Dorothy Trautwein and the late Edward Schook, our dear brother, brother-in-law, father-in-law, grandfather and uncle.

Funeral from CLARK Funeral Home, 1125 Hodiamont av., Thurs., Dec. 26, 3 p.m., to Laurel Hill Cemetery.

SMITH (SCHMIDT), FRANK — 3414 Keokuk, entered into rest Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 12:15 a.m., beloved husband of Etta Highley Smith (nee Goodin), dear father of Rolla Schmidt, dear stepfather of Harold and Katherine Highley, dear brother of Mrs. Catherine Dettmann of Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. Henry Eck, our dear father-in-law, brother-in-law and grandfather, in his 76th year.

Funeral Thurs., 1:30 p.m., from BEIDERWIEDEN South Side Funeral Home, 3620 Chippewa st., to Sunset Burial Park.

SNIDER, JOHN C.—Dec. 22, 1946, at Miami, Fla., husband of Pfc. Ruth L. Snider, son of Mrs. Maude Snider, brother of Mrs. Howard S. Kline and Lillian Snider.

Member Arthur Williams Post No. 161, American Legion. Guard of Honor service at LUPTON Chapel, 7233 Delmar bl., Thurs., Dec. 26, at 8 p.m. Note time. Arrival St. Louis Wed.

STAANKEN, ALBERT J. — 5070 Geraldine ave., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 2:15 p. m., beloved husband of Stella Staanken (nee Kelly), dear father of Albert J. Staanken Jr., Joseph W. and Marian June Staanken, dear brother of the late Anne Coleman, our dear father-in-law and grandfather.

Funeral from SULLIVAN'S, Euclid at St. Louis ave., Thurs., Dec. 26, 8:30 a. m., to St. Philip Neri Church. Interment Calvary Cemetery. Deceased was a member of Water Department Employes' Union, Local 675.

WALSH, ROSE A. (nee McCarthy)—2815 N. Taylor av., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, beloved wife of the late John E. Walsh, dear mother of Mrs. Elmer Mahler, Mrs. Rose Albrecht, Mrs. Andrew Burke, Mrs. Otto Behrman, John E. Walsh and the late Margaret Graupner and Jane Young, grandmother, mother-in-law and aunt.

Funeral from ARTHUR J. DONNELLY Parlors, 3840 Lindell bl., Thurs., Dec. 26, 9 a.m., to Holy Ghost Church, Taylor and Garfield. Interment Calvary.

DEATHS

VOGT, EDWARD H.—5380 Queens av., Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 5:25 p.m., dear brother of Frances Vogt, Elizabeth Schergen, John Vogt and the late Mary Auman (nee Vogt), dear brother-in-law and uncle.

Remains in parlor after 1 p.m., Wed., Dec. 25. Funeral Fri., Dec. 27, 8:30 a.m., from STROOT-CARROLL Funeral Home, 4600 Natural Bridge, to St. Philip Neri Church. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery.

WHEELER, LEE—4616 McPherson, formerly of 515 Davis st., Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, beloved husband of Clara Wheeler (nee Bauer), dear father of Charles B. and the late John L. Wheeler, dear grandfather, father-in-law and uncle.

Funeral from SOUTHERN Funeral Home, 6322 S. Grand on Thurs., Dec. 26, 2 p.m. Interment St. Matthews Cemetery.

WINTERMANTEL, EMILIE (nee Gutske) —4144 Tyrolean, Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 1:25 p. m., dear wife of the late Charles Wintermantel, dear mother of Walter Wintermantel Sr., dear mother-in-law, grandmother, in her 84th year.

Funeral from WACKER-HELDERLE Chapel, 3634 Gravois ave., Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:30 p. m. Interment Bethany Cemetery.

WITTKOETTER, ARTHUR B.—1411½ Benton, entered into rest Mon., Dec. 23, 1946, 7:30 a.m., beloved son of Edward H. and Elizabeth Wittkoetter Krehmeyer, dear brother of Mrs. Joseph Buettner, William G. and Walter L. Wittkoetter, dear brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 3 p.m., from MATH HERMANN & SONS Chapel, Fair and W. Florissant. Interment St. Peter's Cemetery.

WOOD, MARTHA (JENNIE) (nee Dobbin) — 4238 Blair av., entered into rest Sun., Dec. 22, 1946, beloved wife of the late Walter Wood, our dear aunt, cousin and friend.

Funeral Thurs., Dec. 26, 1:30 p.m., from the SUEDMEYER Chapel, 3934 N. Twentieth st. Interment SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery. A member of Loyal Council No. 8, D. of A. Please omit flowers.

IN MEMORIAM

BATHKE, PFC. OLIVER C.—Killed Dec. 25, 1944.
Two years have passed since that sad day,
The one loved was called away.
Sadly missed by PARENTS and SISTERS.

FUSSNER, LEROY R.—In loving memory of my husband who passed away Dec. 24, 1943.
Three long years since you went away
But we remember every day.
Sadly missed by
WIFE AND CHILDREN.

HARTMANN, FRANK—In loving memory of our dear father and grandfather, who joined the angels Dec. 24, 1943.
God knew that you were suffering
And the hills were hard to climb,
So he closed your weary eyelids
And whispered peace be thine;
We morn you dad in silence,
No eyes can see us weep,
But many a silent tear is shed
While others are asleep.
Sadly missed by your DAUGHTER FRIEDA AND CHILDREN.

LOUGHREN, JOHN JR. — Dec. 24, 1945, in cherished memory of our dear brother, gone one year ago today.
One long and lonely year has passed
Since our great sorrow fell;
The shock that we received that day
We still remember well.
How his life was shed we know not
What his last word, look, or thought;
A bitter grief, a shock severe
To part with one we loved so dear.
MRS. DAISY BARR.

LOST AND FOUND

BAG—Lost; lady's black cloth, Cathedral vicinity, contains valuable book, owner's name inscribed; money, etc.; reward. FL. 1223.

BEAGLES—Lost; 2, brown, black and white; reward. Phone Clark, HI. 4134

BILLFOLD — Lost; contains valuable papers and money; liberal reward. PA. 2700.

BILLFOLD—Lost; cash; Xmas check; downtown; reward. CE. 6410.

BRACELET—Lost; with black onyx and seven diamonds; reward. Box P-324, Post-Dispatch.

BRACELET—Lost Dec. 21; silver link; keepsake; reward. PA. 0731.

CAT—Lost; strayed from 5200 Itaska Saturday; black, white feet, chest and chin; child's pet. PL. 1710.

CHIHUAHUA DOG — Lost; black and tan; very small; with harness and bells. JE. 5873; reward.

COCKER SPANIEL—Lost; black; male; vicinity Virginia and Russell; reward. GR. 7545.

COCKER SPANIEL—Lost; red female; reward. EV. 3107.

DIAMOND WRISTWATCH—Lost; and diamond band; initials L.E.O.; keepsake; liberal reward. TE. 3-4788.

DOG—Lost; small red, long hair, short tail; named "Skippy"; reward. GO. 9305.

DOG—Lost; blue tick hound, male, Goodfellow-Natural Bridge; reward. CO. 5280.

DRESS—Lost; Lady's; Wellston; Saturday night; reward. Toni Vienup, CA. 8088, 8:30-5:30.

EVENING BAG—Lost; red satin; 3800 west; reward. FO. 2421.

EYE GLASSES—Lost; girl's, in case, Dec. 17 vicinity Oakhill, Wyoming and Humphrey sts. PR. 0265.

FOX TERRIER—Black and white male, name Pete; family pet; reward. GA. 0494.

FOX TERRIER—Lost; brindle; child's pet; reward. CE. 0032.

GLASSES—Lost; plastic rims; vicinity Washington U. Saturday; reward. WEb. 81.

GOLD BEADS—Lost in Webster Groves. Reward. WEB. 6193. 359 S. Elm.

GOLD PEN—Lost; Schaeffer; initials H I Y; reward. Call Miss Jones, CE. 5390.

HANDBAG—Lost; black; Dec. 18; Delmar Forsythe bus; sentimental value; reward. CA. 0351.

IDENTIFICATION BRACELET — Lost; J. E. Fitzgibbon; please return. 4020 Flad.

IRISH SETTER—Lost; 9 months; female; reward. PA. 9934.

LLEWELLIN SETTER — Lost; small, white, chocolate markings back ears, muzzle. CA. 6900.

LOST—Trailer license and tail light; No. 67-872. Call LO. 5483.

PANSY PIN—Lost; pearl center; reward. DE. 4115. Sun., after 7 evenings.

PURSE—Lost; black; plastic; shoulder strap; containing wallet inscribed "Mary Louise Hoffman," other valuables; reward. EV. 8170 or EV. 1390.

PURSE — LOST; ladies black; 1st flr., Famous-Barr or between 7th and 9th on Olive. Finder please call Olive Newman, FO. 3144. Reward.

PURSE—Lost; red alligator; front of 4178 Delmar; keep money, return contents, keepsake and valuables. NE. 1727

PURSE—Lost; brown alligator; reward. 721 Limit. CA. 2180.

RING—Lost; in vicinity Grand and Laclede or Forest Park; man's yellow gold, 3 diamonds, 8 rubies; large reward. GO. 9824.

SPITZ — Lost; male; vicinity Gravois-Itaska; reward. FL. 7097.

TIE CLASP—Lost; white gold; initial H.; sentimental keepsake; reward. CE. 3715.

TROUSERS—Lost; in box; Saturday; Thompson's on Washington; reward. GO. 8265.

WALLET—Lost; black, man's, with relic of St. Theresa inside; keepsake; reward. RE. 1834.

WALLET—Lost; Marine Corps insignia on front; valuable documents, personal papers; keepsake; reward. FO. 2690.

WRIST WATCH—Lost; lady's; "25 years' service Bussmann, H.V.G. 7-11-43" engraved on lost; reward. NE. 3187. GA. 1740.

WRIST WATCH—Lost; man's gold Bulova, crystal missing; leather band; liberal reward. GO. 6374.

WRIST WATCH—Lost; lady's, rose gold Bulova; Saturday, downtown; reward. GO. 2126.

WRIST-WATCH—Lost; man's, pink gold. Jules Jorgensen make. Liberal reward. FO. 9510 or FO. 8592.

WRISTWATCH—Lost; lady's, Washington U. grounds, name on back; reward. STerling 4308.

WRIST WATCH—Lost; Scruggs; boy's Helbros; keepsake; reward. HI. 4402.

WRISTWATCH — Lost; lady's Elgin; Dec. 22; reward. WEb. 4471.

WRISTWATCH—Lost; gold, Whittnauer, brown cord band; reward. LO. 6601.

PERSONAL

WANTED BY HIS DAUGHTER—Evelyn S. Brown, information regarding Charles T. Brown; business was St. Louis Sample Co., 30 S. 4th st., year 1921. Address Mrs. M. E. Barber, 54-B Tom McMillan Homes, Naval Base 53, Charleston South Carolina.

ELVIE, come home, no one is mad. The baby cries for you.
VIRGINIA MARLER.

GEORGE C.—Issue vital now; come home. DAD.

SPECIAL NOTICES

SPECIAL NOTICE—I, Newton Eckrich, of 3555 California av., City of St. Louis, State of Missouri, do hereby give notice that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted after this date by anyone except myself.
(Signed) NEWTON ALLEN ECKRICH.

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On Christmas Eve

Happy Memories? Not for McLemore

By Henry McLemore

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Dec. 31.

CHRISTMAS EVE this year fills me with no happy memories, because I remember Christmas eve a year ago and the thoughts thereof make me blue, sad, disconsolate, and all the other words you can find in the Thesaurus under that category.

A year ago, I had just been graduated from the Army. I was home again, wearing a white shirt, and brimming over with Christmas cheer. A careful observer could see holly growing from my right ear, and drumsticks protruding from my left. In my heart, I wore mistletoe as a tie, and my gait was that of a reindeer.

I decided to spread my cheer. I wanted everyone in my town to share in my joy. "What is the best way to do that?" That was the question I asked myself.

I finally decided that to sing carols, from house to house, would be the best way. Ever since I was old enough to have pupils in my eyes I had seen Christmas cards picturing old English carolers, all dressed in gay costumes—one tall one, with a neck like a starved turkey; one fat one, very jolly; and one medium-sized one with no distinction, and out of shape all over.

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I COULD SEE our welcome. Balcony windows would be thrown open and whole families would lean out to hear our melodious voices harmonizing in sweet old carols so dear to us all. Thanks to the carols, stockings would be longer, faces would be shorter, and all over our little town hearts would be gayer.

So, four of us got together. Four friends. We had sung before, usually in kitchens, at some witching hour on Saturday night. Wanting to do a thorough job, we looked up "carol" in the dictionary. The dictionary said, "A ring dance accompanied by song; also the song. A song of joy, often a joyful hymn, as a Christmas carol."

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WE PRACTICED a ring dance; Bill led, Walter was second, Bob was third, and I was the whip. The dance was a cinch, but the trouble began when we got to singing. We all knew the first two lines or so of carols, but when we hit the third or fourth lines we individually decided to hum our parts and let the other three carry the words. As a result, we all hummed.

This embarrassed us. So, we naturally swung into something we knew.

Walter, the quarterback of our team, called us into a huddle and after refreshments we fell back on the songs which we harmonized for many years.

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WE GAVE 'EM "Sweet Adeline," "I Had a Dream, Dear," "The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi," "Underneath the Bamboo Tree," "Shine on Harvest Moon," "I've Been Working on the Railroad," "Dear Old Girl," "When You Wore a Tulip," and "I Only Want a Buddy, Not a Sweetheart."

Just when we got going good, and the cats on the fences and the dogs in the backyards were giving us lovely accompaniment, the police arrived.

They came as policemen always do, pistols cocked, eyes glinting, summonses out, and a smell of law and order about them.

You won't believe it, but they had been summoned by the very people we were serenading, and by neighbors who didn't even know us.

So, this Christmas eve I plan to spend quietly at home, making fudge with the campfire set.

The Christmas Tree

By Christopher Billopp

"IT'S ten-thirty. They must be asleep by now. Don't you think we could go ahead? You'll find it back of the garage.

"Here are the decorations. Oh, yes; the holder? What did you do with it after last Christmas? You said you were going to put it in a safe place. Try to think back.

"It will have to go in front of the hall closet. That's the only place for it. Everybody will just have to be careful not to brush too hard against it. It's awfully lop-sided. Perhaps that won't be so noticeable when the decorations are on.

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"OH, WHAT A SHAME! That was one of the big balls. And the pretty golden one, too. Get the dustpan. This angel keeps standing on its head. Won't the lights go on? One of the bulbs must have been burned out. It's too late to do anything about that now. But they are pretty even if they won't light.

"The tinsel is tarnished, isn't it? That's the trouble with tinsel. It never keeps its freshness from one year to the next. Can't you make that bird stand up straight? It looks drunk.

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"HOW MANY YEARS have we had the Santa Claus? He's beginning to show his age. However, when he is at the top of the tree he won't be so conspicuous.

"Have you seen anything of the third 'wise man'? Oh, well, it's better to have two than none at all. One of the camels has lost a leg. And what has happened to Joseph's nose?

"It doesn't really look so bad, does it? One more ball in that bare spot and we will be through. Why, it's nearly midnight. If we hurry and get all the presents unpacked and arranged under the tree we ought to be in bed by 1 a.m. at the latest."

PILGRIMAGE TO BETHLEHEM

A procession of pilgrims led from Jerusalem by Msgr. Louis Barlassina, Latin patriarch of Palestine, moves from Manger Square in Bethlehem, the birthplace of Christ, to the Church of the Nativity, in traditional ceremonies today. For the first time, pictures are being transmitted directly from Jerusalem to New York by radio, with automatic relay of radio signals in London.
—Associated Press Wirephoto.

QUAKE DAMAGE IN JAPAN Residents of an unidentified town in southern Japan walk amid the debris of buildings wrecked by the devastating earthquake which shook the area Saturday, killing more than 1100 persons. In foreground is an overturned truck.
—Associated Press Wirephoto via U. S. Army Signal Corps Radiophoto.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Kindergarten children of Gardenville School, Kingshighway and Gravois avenue, watch intently as Santa Claus, portrayed by John C. Eselin, emerges with two brownies from a specially constructed chimney to distribute gifts at a party yesterday afternoon. At right is J. C. Willman, chairman of the School Patrons' Association committee, which arranged for Santa's annual visit.

Three participants in a yuletide party given by the Goodwill Industries, 4140 Forest Park boulevard, last night, display gifts they received after a dinner and entertainment. From left: George Pope, 5949 Bartmer avenue; Janet Strong, 3815 Westminster place, and James Davenport, Leonard Hotel. Pope and Miss Strong are "homebound" solicitors for the organization, working at their residences; Davenport, who is 84 years old, is a Goodwill bicycle repairman.

W. R. Nalley, Madison city employe, passing out some of the 3300 boxes of candy and fruit which were distributed to children at the city garage yesterday. Funds for Christmas packages were raised under sponsorship of the police department.

St. Nicholas grasps the hand of a young admirer, one of a group of children from the Hessoun Orphans' Home, Fenton, who visited the Marine Hospital, Kirkwood, yesterday, for a Christmas party given by the patients. There were gifts for all guests.
—By Post-Dispatch Staff Photographers.

BROADWAY

By WALTER WINCHELL

Notes of a Not-So-Innocent Bystander

THE BROADWAY LIGHTS: For the first time (in about 30 years) the freres Shubert haven't a show on Broadway. Just "Blossom Time" and "The Student Prince" on tour. In other words, they are back where they started—with their first millions. . . . Add things I never heard of in my sinful life: Bandsman Tex Beneke (ending a tour of the Southeast with his Glenn Miller crew) returned several hundred bux to the promoters (of a swing event) with this explanation: "We didn't draw too well for you; sorry." He must be quite a feller. . . . Who said composers have no sensayuma? On Aug. 26, 1942, Jerome Kern wrote to Guy Bolton, in part: "No, I don't think there is any change of plan. It's simply the usual delay while lawyers translate a simple handshake into a Scottish protocol, Dutch Treaty or Bull. This naturally takes time—time, which (of course) could be much better employed in thinking about a story." . . . Playwright Elmer Rice's comment when anyone says the theater is dying: "I've been saying for 20 years it is dead!" . . . Percy Hammond (the critic) once said: "It isn't just critics that playwrights, actors and showmen resent; it is anybody's criticism!"

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WASHINGTON NEWSMEN enjoy spinning this one: A group of them once accompanied F.D.R. to a show. During the intermission they thanked a Secret Service man for providing them with excellent seats.

"Don't mention it," the Secret Servicer retorted. "Just notice the seating arrangement. You'll discover no one can take a shot at the President without hitting one or two reporters first!"

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THE ARISTOCRATS: Jack Benny's recent radioafing reveals the sparkle you can get from gag writers expecting holiday bonuses. . . . Mark Warnow's "Sound-Off" arrangements set the pulses zzzinging. . . . Hoagy Carmichael made a recording of "Huggin' an' a-Chalkin'." He didn't write it. The lads who did are named Clancy Hayes (one of the top vocalists at Station KGO, San Francisco) and Kermit Goell. The ditty's a big juke box coin collector. . . . Hoagy's book, "Stardust Road," holds the orbs. It includes interesting stuff about the birth of "Star Dust," the anthem. . . . L. Frankel (in a weekly) conclusion-jumps: "Newscasters who tangle with controversial themes hinder their careers." Oh, looka here, now. We know one that never dodged a controversy, who is in his fifteenth straight year for the same sponsor and network with a 23.3 rating. He leads the field and has for 15 years. . . . The nearest also-ran-alysts (in the Hooper race) are miles away. In short, nowhere near the money, M'seer Frankel. You are making wiz me zee joke, no?

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THE PRESS BOX: A journalist dowager (who often turns her icy glare on colyumists dealing in gossip) front-paged the gossip about Princess Elizabeth's engagement to Prince Phillip of Greece. Tst-tst! When colyumists print it first it's naughty. When they get it first it's a scoop. . . . The same uppity gazette (on the twelfth) ran news photos of Russian activity behind the "iron curtain." The photos were available to American editors (who used the same pix) in 1944. Irresponsible reporting, eh? . . . Months ago a linotype firm issued a report based on a survey among publishers. It stated that "tomorrow's newspapers will contain less sensationalism." . . . The report was made by the Mergenthaler firm, which provided one of the most sensational stories of the year via a swindling by its cashier.

CASE RECORDS

By Dr. George W. Crane

CASE L-292: Don R., aged 24, has a clerical job with a railroad. "I find that I am shy and introverted," he announced," and I wonder how I can gain self-confidence. Dr. Crane, can a fellow deliberately improve his personality? And if so, what would you recommend?

"I have thought about taking an evening course in public speaking at the university in order to gain a little more courage before a crowd. What would you advise?"

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SUCH A COURSE would be a help. Most of us are somewhat introvertive in early childhood, but if we are "middle" or younger children in a large family, we soon learn to adjust to people. We are forced to do so in order to get along in the home. Thus, we learn to plead or coax at the right time, or to barter with our brothers and sisters for their bicycles and toys.

But "only" children, as well as oldest children, are usually more introvertive. In adult life, they are often shy, self-conscious, or the "lone wolf" type of individual, compensating perhaps with an egotistical attitude. It is quite possible, however, for an extreme introvert to change himself. Note how Silas Marner became more sociable and pleasant after he discovered Eppie.

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LOVE EXTROVERTS US. The possession of children does likewise. Membership in many social organizations, plus sales work, all force us to stop being overly concerned with ourselves. Joining my Compliment Club will make a noticeable change in even one month's time, as thousands of you readers have already attested.

Don is sure to become a more attractive and agreeable fellow if he resolutely continues trying to socialize himself. Our personalities are never fixed and unchangeable.

If we have unattractive personalities, that aren't getting us anywhere in life, then let's change them. Everybody can do so if he is willing to try.

If you are unhappy, or friendless, then you better remodel your personality. Nobody is to blame but yourself if you go friendless throughout life. Don't envy or, in "sour grapes" fashion, belittle popular people. Study their technique and win popularity, too.

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HOW MANY of you readers have wished you could be more charming? Yet I have offered you a sure-fire method in the Compliment Club. But only a minority are energetic enough to write in for an application blank, plus the five rules for paying honest compliments. Good intentions are only the start of the long road to success and happiness.

That great psychologist of the past generation, William James, said we ought to train ourselves to do something each day which our lazy inertia makes us dislike doing. He said we can develop a habit of thus doing what is good for us, even if we don't enjoy it at the beginning.

If there is a real devil on this earth he is laziness, inertia. The best way to be successful in life is to do what we know we ought to do, and at the time it should be done.

If it hurts your pride to apologize for an error, apologize anyway, and get it over with. If you are a poor speaker like Don today, you can get valuable free public speaking experience teaching a Sunday School class, or leading a Scout Troop.

Send for my bulletin, "How to Make an Interesting Speech," enclosing a 3-cent stamped envelope, plus a dime.

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo

ST. LOUIS RADIO STATIONS

KSD KXOK WEW KFUO KMOX WIL KWK

550 630 770 850 1120 1230 1380

Programs on the broadcast band scheduled for today include:

4 P. M.

KSD—LIGHTING OF WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS TREE AND MESSAGE BY PRESIDENT TRUMAN. Also on KMOX, KWK, KXOK.
KFUO—Cleveland High School Chorus. WEW — Melody Roundup. WIL — Platter Parade.
4:30 KSD—JUST PLAIN BILL.
KMOX—Housewive's Protective League; Top Tunes. KWK—Records. WEW—Muny and Sports. WIL—Platter Parade. KXOK—Tennessee Jed.
4:45 KSD—FRONT PAGE FARRELL.
KMOX—Housewive's Protective League; Top Tunes. KWK—News. KXOK—Sky King.

5 P. M.

KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; SALON MUSIC.
KFUO—Whispering Reeds. KMOX—News. KWK—Buck Rogers. WIL—Homemakers' Treasure Chest. KXOK—Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 KSD—THE SHIPS OF CHRISTMAS.
KFUO—Whispering Reeds. KMOX—Records. KWK — Superman. KXOK—Singing Sam.
5:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KMOX—Musical Derby. KWK—Capt. Midnight. WIL—Sports. KXOK—License Quiz.
5:45 KSD—RUSS DAVID SHOW.
KMOX—Robert Trout. News. KWK—Tom Mix. WIL—Stars of Songland. KXOK—Sports.

6 P. M.

KSD—NEWS AND SPORTS; J. Roy Stockton and Harold Grams.
KMOX—Mystery of the Week. KWK—News. WIL—Dinner Music. KXOK—Records.
6:15 KSD — MORGAN BEATTY and other NBC Correspondents.
KMOX—The Jack Smith Show. KWK—Records. WIL—Dinner Music.
6:30 KSD—TOPS IN MUSIC. WITH JULIE O'NEILL.
KMOX—American Melody Program; guest, Donald Dame, tenor. WIL—Toyland Review. KXOK—Down Memory Lane.
6:45 KSD—H. V. KALTENBORN.
KWK—Inside of Sports. WIL — Santa Claus.

7 P. M.

KSD—RUDY VALLEE SHOW. With Benny Krueger's Orchestra; guests; Loretta Young in "The Littlest Angel" with Bob Mitchell's Boys' Choir.
KMOX—Big Town. KWK—Michael Shayne. WIL — Veterans Question Box. KXOK—Lum and Abner.
7:15 WIL—Harmony Hall. KXOK — Your Washington Man.
7:30 KSD—A DATE WITH JUDY.
KMOX—Mel Blanc's Fixit Shop. KWK—The Falcon. WIL — News; This Is Music. KXOK—The O'Neils.
7:55 KMOX—Bill Henry. News.

8 P. M.

KSD — AMOS AND ANDY, with Freeman Gosden and Charles Correll; Hattie McDaniel; Delta Rhythm Boys; Lud Gluskin's Orchestra.
KMOX—Vox Pop. KWK—Gabriel Heatter, commentator. WIL—Records. KXOK — Rex Maupin's "Christmas Fantasy."
8:15 KWK—Real Stories From Real Life. WIL—Rhythm Intermezzo.
8:30 KSD—FIBBER McGEE AND MOLLY with Jim and Marian Jordan; Gale Gordon; Bill Thompson; Bea Benadaret; The Kings Men; Billy Mills and His Orchestra.
KMOX—Search for Christmas. KWK — Chicago Philharmonic Orchestra. WIL — Dickens's Christmas Carol. KXOK—Alfred Hitchcock and Ben Hecht in "Miracle of a Bum."

9 P. M.

KSD—THE BOB HOPE SHOW; Jerry Colonna; Vera Vague; Desi Arnaz and His Orchestra; guest, Bing Crosby.
KMOX—Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts. KWK—Chicago Philharmonic. WIL—Harlem Rhythm. KXOK — Paul Whiteman's Christmas Party.
9:15 KWK—Music. WIL—Sparklers.
9:30 KSD—THE RED SKELTON SHOW.
KMOX—Apollo Boys' Choir. KWK—Mystery Time. WIL—Bandwagon.
9:45 WIL—The Bandwagon.

10 P. M.

KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KMOX—News. KWK—Supper Club with Jo Stafford. WIL—The Bandwagon. KXOK—Musical Derby.
10:15 KSD—ALLEN ROTH'S ORCHESTRA.
KMOX—Kenrick Seminary Choir. KWK—Records. KXOK—News.
10:30 KSD—RICHARD HARKNESS.
KMOX—Sports Review; Today's Love Song. WIL—Bandwagon. KXOK—Beautiful Music.
10:45 KSD — FRED WARING'S SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM.
KMOX—You and Alcohol.
10:57 KSD—HELEN TRUBEL singing "Silent Night, Holy Night."

11 P. M.

KSD—CHRISTMAS CHIMES FROM RIVERSIDE CHURCH; ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KMOX—News; Musical Hour. KWK—News; Eddy Howard's Orchestra. WIL—Christmas Service from Bethany Evangelical Church. KXOK—Christmas Eve Service from the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City.
11:15 KSD—CHRISTMAS BELLS.
11:30 KSD—DICKENS'S "CRICKET ON THE HEARTH"; Musical Interlude.
KMOX—Music; annual Christmas Carol Program. KWK—Larry Funk's Orchestra. WEW—Midnight Mass from St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church.
11:45 KWK—Don Bestor's Orchestra; News.

12 MIDNIGHT

KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; CHRISTMAS MUSIC.
KMOX—Midnight Mass from St. Genevieve's Catholic Church. KXOK—Midnight Mass from St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans. WIL—Christmas Mass.

The following program schedule is according to central standard time:

For Weather Reports Tune to KSD

At 6, 6:45, 7:45 and 8:30 a.m., report and forecast by Harry F. Wahlgren, chief of the St. Louis Weather Bureau, at 11:10 a.m.; also reports at 12 noon, 5:30, and 11 p.m. and 12 midnight.

LISTEN TO H. V. KALTENBORN'S News Comment on KSD Monday Through Friday at 6:45 P.M.

NEWS AND COMMENT ON KSD

5:30, 6, 7, 7:45, 8:30, 11 a.m., 12 noon, 5, 5:30, 6, 6:15, 6:45, 10:00, 10:30, 11, 11:30 p.m., 12 midnight, 12:30 a.m.

Daytime Tomorrow on Local Stations

6 A.M.
KMOX—Country Journal.
5:15 KMOX—Morning Roundup.
5:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS. NOVELTIES IN RHYTHM.
KMOX—Country Journal. KXOK—News; Temple of the Air.
5:45 KSD—MORNING RHYTHM.

6 A.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—Pilgrim Lutheran Church. KMOX—Farm Talks. KWK—Roy Shaffer and His Gang. WEW—News; Musical Clock. KXOK—News; Town and Country.
6:15 KSD—WAKE UP TO MUSIC.
KMOX—Sunrise Salute. KXOK—Town and Country; Neighbor News.
6:30 WEW—News; Musical Clock. KXOK—Town and Country.
6:45 KSD—WEATHER FORECAST.
6:46 KSD—WAKE UP TO MUSIC.
KMOX—Sunrise Salute; Weather Report. WEW—Musical Clock; News. KXOK—Town and Country; Weather News.

7 A.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—Morning Meditation. KMOX — News. KWK—Grady Cantrell. WEW—Grandpappy Jones. WIL—Breakfast Club. KXOK—News; Markets; Town and Country.
7:15 KSD—VARIETY FAIR.
KFUO—Hymns. KMOX—Ozark Varieties. KWK—Texie Hollie and Buckeye Four; News. KXOK—Trading Post; Howard and Shelton.
7:30 KSD—DO YOU REMEMBER?
KFUO—Musical Reveille. KWK — Rich Hayes Plays. WEW — News; Melodies. WIL—News; Breakfast Club. KXOK—News.
7:45 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—The Chapel Window. KMOX—News. KWK—News. WEW—Sacred Heart Program. KXOK—Breakfast Time.

8 A.M.
KSD—THE RANGE RIDERS.
KFUO—News; Salute to the Morning. KMOX—Bob Williams Sings. KWK—Records. WEW—News. WIL—Breakfast Club. KXOK—Happy Hank.
8:15 KMOX — Texas Rangers. WEW—At Your Service. KXOK—News.
8:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—News. KMOX—Billy Starr Show. WIL—News; Music. WEW — Grandpappy Jones. KXOK—Breakfast Club.
8:45 KSD—VIRGINIA BLAIR PRESENTS.
KFUO—Console Varieties. KMOX — Man on the Street. KWK—News. WIL — Tropical Tempos.

9 A.M.
KSD—ADDRESS BY KING GEORGE VI.
KFUO—Pilgrim Lutheran Church. KMOX—News; Hi Neighbor. KWK — Records. WIL — Serenaders. WEW — News; Tune Smiths. KXOK—My True Story.
9:15 KSD—LORA LAWTON.
KXOK—True Story; Hymns of All Churches.
9:30 KSD—ROAD OF LIFE.
KFUO — Students Chapel. KMOX — The Strange Romance of Evelyn Winters. KWK —Records. WEW — Let's Go to Town. WIL—News; Music. KXOK—Hymns of All Churches.
9:45 KSD—JOYCE JORDAN.
KMOX—Judy and Jane. WEW—Christmas Carolers. WIL—The Weather; Harlem Rhythm. KXOK—Listening Post.

10 A.M.
KSD—THE FRED WARING SHOW.
KFUO—Music of the Masters. KMOX—Records. KWK—News; Roundup; Records. WEW—News; Melody Moments. WIL — Melody Lane. KXOK—Breakfast in Hollywood.
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10:15 KFUO—Music of the Masters. KMOX—Records; News. WEW— Industry and Progress.
10:30 KSD—JACK BERCH SHOW.
KFUO—Homemaker's Chat. KMOX—Grand Slam. KWK—Exchange Christmas Program. WEW — Home Serenade. WIL — Homemakers' Treasure Chest. KXOK—News.
10:45 KSD—DAVID HARUM.
KFUO—Serenade On KFUO Today. KMOX —Rosemary. KWK—Hymns You Love. KXOK—Ted Malone.

11 A.M.
KSD — ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; COMPREHENSIVE WEATHER REPORT BY Harry F. Wahlgren, chief of the St. Louis Office, U. S. Weather Bureau.
KMOX—Kate Smith Speaks. KFUO—The Open Bible. KWK—News. WEW—Christmas High Mass from College Church. WIL —Platter Parade. KXOK—Kenny Baker Show.
11:15 KSD—ART VAN DAMME QUINTET.
KFUO—News. KMOX—Aunt Jenny. KWK World of Song.
11:30 KSD—HOLIDAY MUSIC.
KFUO—Musical Memoirs. KMOX—Romance of Helen Trent. KWK—Jackie Hill Sings; Records. WIL—News; Platter Parade. KXOK—Telephone Quiz.
11:45 KSD — ALLEN PRESCOTT. WIFE SAVER.
KFUO—Melody Lane; Vitamins for Health. KMOX—Our Gal Sunday. KXOK—Down Melody Lane.

12 NOON.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—Voice of the Harp. KMOX—News. KWK—News. WIL—Platter Parade. WEW News. KXOK—Song and Dance Parade.
12:15 KSD—SONGS BY MORTON DOWNEY.
KFUO—Noonday Repose. KMOX—Ma Perkins. KWK—Folks From Shady Valley. WEW—Christmas Greetings from Markets.
12:30 KSD—EASY ACES.
KMOX—Young Dr. Malone. KWK—Christmas in Toil Land. WEW—Noon Roundup. WIL—Weather News; Music. KXOK—Quiz Program.
12:45 KSD—GEMS OF MELODY.
KFUO—Farm Front. KMOX—Big Sister. KWK—John J. Anthony. KXOK—News.

1 P.M.
KSD—TODAY'S CHILDREN.
KFUO—"The Messiah" by Handel. KMOX —Second Mrs. Burton. KWK—Roy Shaffer and Gang. WEW—News; 770 Record Club. WIL—Melody Lane. KXOK—Song and Dance Parade.
1:15 KSD—WOMAN IN WHITE.
KMOX—Perry Mason
1:30 KSD — MASQUERADE; BETTY CROCKER.
KMOX—Lone Journey. KWK—Queen for a Day. WEW—Music For Christmas. WIL —Neighborhood Program; T.B. Society speaker. KXOK—Bride and Groom.
1:45 KSD—LIGHT OF THE WORLD.
KMOX—Rose of My Dreams. WEW—This Is Australia.

2 P.M.
KSD—SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM.
KFUO—The Messiah. KMOX—Headline Highlights. KWK—Heart's Desire. WEW —News; Community Salute. WIL—Afternoon Ballroom. KXOK—Ladies Be Seated.
2:15 KMOX—Linda's First Love.
2:30 KMOX—Hearts in Harmony. KWK—News. WEW—Christmas Stories by Frank Luther. WIL—Dickens's "Christmas Carol."
2:45 KMOX—The Editor's Daughter. KWK—Records. WEW—Sacred Heart Program. KXOK—George Barnes Octet.

3 P.M
KSD—CHRISTMAS MUSIC featuring Thomas L. Thomas, Donald Dame, Margaret Daum, Jean Dickerson, Evelyn MacGregor, Bob Hannon, Victor Arden's Orchestra and chorus.
KFUO—The Messiah. KMOX—Two Hours of Stars. KWK—Records, WEW—News; Moments With the Masters. WIL—Afternoon Ballroom. KXOK—Musical Party Line.
3:15 KFUO—Be of Good Cheer. KMOX—House Party; News. KXOK—News; Party Line.
3:30 WIL—Afternoon Ballroom.
3:45 KFUO—Radio Calendar. WIL—Here's to Veterans. KXOK—Party Line; News.

4 P.M.
KSD—WHEN A GIRL MARRIES.
KFUO— Song Shop. KMOX—Two Hours of Stars. KWK—News; Records. WEW—Melody Roundup. WIL—Records. KXOK —Song and Dance Parade.
4:15 KSD—PORTIA FACES LIFE.
4:30 KSD—JUST PLAIN BILL.
KFUO—The Open Bible. KWK—Records. WEW—Muny and Sports. WIL—Platter Parade. KXOK—Tennessee Jed.
4:45 KSD—FRONT PAGE FARRELL.
KFUO—Sports and news summary. KWK —News. KXOK—Sky King.

5 P.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; SALON MUSIC.
KFUO—At the Close of Day. KMOX—News. KWK—Buck Rogers. WIL—Homemaker's Treasure Chest. KXOK—Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 KSD—BARRY WOOD.
KMOX—Miccolas Sisters and the Ranchera. KWK—Superman. KXOK—Singing Sam.
5:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KMOX—Musical Derby. KWK—Capt. Midnight. WIL—Sports review. KXOK—License Quiz.
5:45 KSD—RUSS DAVID SHOW.
KMOX—Robert Trout. News. KWK—Tom Mix. WIL—Stars of Songland. KXOK—Sports Extras.

6 P. M.
KSD—NEWS AND SPORTS; Roy Stockton and Harold Grams.
KMOX — Mystery of the Week. KWK — News. WIL—Dinner Music. KXOK—Records.
6:15 KSD—NEWS OF THE WORLD; Morgan Beatty and other NBC Correspondents.
KMOX—The Jack Smith Show. KWK—Records.
6:30 KSD — TOPS IN MUSIC with Julie O'Neill.
KMOX—The Adventures of Ellery Queen. WIL—News; Rhythm Intermesso. KXOK—Lone Ranger.
6:45 KSD—H. V. KALTENBORN. News Comment.
KWK—Inside of Soprts. WIL—Songs of Good Cheer.

7 P. M.
KSD—A DAY IN THE LIFE OF DENNIS DAY.
KMOX—Jack Carson Show. KWK—News. WIL—Jazz at Grand and Lindell. KXOK —Lum and Abner.
7:15 KWK—Fulton Lewis Jr. WIL—Jazz at Grand and Lindell. KXOK—Your Washington Man.
7:30 KSD—THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE with Hal Peary; Louise Erickson; Walter Tetley; Lillian Randolph; Richard LeGrand; Earle Ross; Jack Meakin's Orchestra.
KMOX—Dr. Christian. KWK—It's Up to Youth. WIL—News; Waltz Time. KXOK—Jimmy Lytell's Musical Party.
7:45 WIL—Upton Close.
7:55 KMOX—Bill Henry. news.

8 P.M.
KSD — DUFFY'S TAVERN; Ed "Archie" Gardner; Sandra Gould; Charles Cantor; Eddie Green; Mary Meade, singer; Matty Malneck's Orchestra.
KMOX—Songs by Frank Sinatra with Judy Stevens and Alex Stordahl's Orchestra. KWK —Gabriel Heatter. WIL—Records. KXOK —The Affairs of Ann Scotland.
8:15 KWK—Real Stories From Real Life. WIL—Just Relax.
8:30 KSD—MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY; "The Case of Two Drumsticks."
KMOX—Dinah Shore; Peter Lind Hayes, impersonator; Robert Emmett Dolan's Orchestra; guest, Laurita Melchior. KWK—Xavier Cugat's Orchestra. WIL—Christmas Serenade. KXOK—Pot of Gold; Happy Felton, Harry Salter and His Orchestra; Vera Holly, singer; Jimmy Carroll, tenor.

9 P.M.
KSD—THE FRANK MORGAN SHOW.
KMOX—Academy Award Theater; Janet Leigh, Joseph Cotten, John Garfield, Gregory Peck and Gene Kelly in "All Through the House." KWK—Claude Thornhill's Orchestra. WIL—Harlem Rhythm. KXOK —Bing Crosby, network transcription program.
9:15 WIL—Sparklers.
9:30 KSD — KAY KYSER'S COLLEGE OF MUSICAL KNOWLEDGE.
KMOX—Information Please; guests, Charles G. Bolte and Odell Shepherd. KWK—Mystery Time. WIL—Hockey: Flyers vs. Buffalo. KXOK—Henry Morgan Show.

10 P.M.
KSD—ASSSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KMOX—News. KWK—The Supper Club with Perry Como. WIL—Hockey. KXOK—Musical Derby.
10:15 KSD—ALLEN ROTH'S ORCHESTRA.
KMOX—Seth Greiner Presents. KWK—Records. KXOK—News.
10:30 KSD—RICHARD HARKNESS.
KMOX — Sports Review; Feature Parade. WIL—Bandwagon. KXOK—The Symphonette.
10:45 KSD—CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS.
KMOX—Word From the Country.

11 P.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; GUEST STAR PARADE; MUSIC.
KMOX—News, Musical Hour. KWK—News; Freddie Nagle's Orchestra. KXOK—News; Clyde McCoy's Orchestra.
11:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; THREE SUNS TRIO.
KMOX—News; Elliott Lawrence's Orchestra. KWK—Art Kassal's Orchestra; News. KXOK—Desi Arnaz's Orchestra.
11:45 KSD—LEE SIMS, PIANIST; MUSICAL INTERLUDE.
KXOK—Desi Arnaz's Orchestra; News.

12 MIDNIGHT.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; DANCING AT MIDNIGHT.
KMOX—Midnight Patrol; News. KXOK—Dance Music; News.
12:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; DANCING AT MIDNIGHT.
KMOX — Dance Time; News. KXOK — Music; News.

Thursday Daytime

5:00 A.M.
KMOX—Country Journal; News; Markets.
5:15 KMOX—Morning Roundup.
5:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; NOVELTIES IN RHYTHM.
KXOK—News; Temple of the Air.
5:45 KSD—MORNING HYMNS.

6:00 A.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—Morning Call. KMOX—Farm Talks. KWK—Roy Shaffer and Gang. WEW —News; Musical Clock. KXOK—News; Town and Country.
6:15 KSD—WAKE UP TO MUSIC.
KMOX—Sunrise Salute. KXOK—Town and Country; Nabor News.
6:30 KFUO—Farm and Home Journal. WEW —News; Markets; Musical Clock. KXOK—Let's Go Visiting.
6:45 KSD—WEATHER FORECAST.
6:46 KSD—WAKE UP TO MUSIC.
KFUO—Morning Headlines. KMOX—Sunrise Salute; Weather Report. WEW—Musical Clock; News. KXOK—Town and Country; Weather; News.

7:00 A.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—Morning Meditation. KMOX—News. KWK—Grady Cantrell. WEW—Grandpappy Jones. WIL—Breakfast Club. KXOK—News; Town and Country.
7:15 KSD—VARIETY FAIR.
KFUO—Hymns for the Home. KMOX—Ozark Varieties. KWK—Gertrude Miller and Myron Floren; News. KXOK—Trading Post; Howard-Shelton.
7:30 KSD—REVEILLE ROUNDUP.
KFUO—Musical Reveille. KWK—Rich Hayes Plays. WEW—News; Melodies. WIL —News; Breakfast Club. KXOK—News.
7:45 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO — Chapel Window. KMOX—News. KWK—News. WEW—Sacred Heart Program. KXOK—Breakfast Time.

8:00 A.M.
KSD—THE RANGE RIDERS.
KFUO News; Morning Salute. KMOX—Bob Williams Sings; KWK—Records. WEW —News. WIL—Breakfast Club. KXOK—Happy Hank.
8:15 KMOX—Texas Rangers. WEW—At Your Service. KXOK—News.
8:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—News. KMOX—Billy Starr Show. KWK—Records. WEW—Grandpappy Jones. WIL—News; Music. KXOK—Breakfast Club.
8:45 KSD—VIRGINIA BLAIR PRESENTS.
KFUO—Console Varieties. KMOX—Man on the Street. KWK—News. WIL—Tropical Tempos. KXOK—Breakfast Club.

9:00 A.M.
KSD—VEST POCKET VARIETIES.
KFUO—Adventures in Faith. KMOX—News; Hi, Neighbor. KWK—Records. WEW News; Tunesmiths. WIL—Serenaders. KXOK —Drama.
9:15 KSD—LORA LAWTON.
KFUO—Human Side of the News. WEW—World of Song. KXOK—Drama; Hymns of All Churches.
9:30 KSD—ROAD OF LIFE.
KMOX—The Strange Romance of Evelyn Winters. KWK—Records. WEW—Let's Go to Town. WIL—News; Music. KXOK —Hymns of All Churches.
9:45 KSD—JOYCE JORDAN.
KFUO—Themes of the Ages. KMOX—Judy and Jane. WEW—Markets. WIL—Weather; Harlem Rhythm. KXOK—Listening Post.

10:00 A.M.
KSD—FRED WARING SHOW.
KFUO—Music of the Masters. KMOX—American School of the Air. KWK—News; Records. WEW—News; Tour Social Secretary. WIL—Melody Lane. KXOK—Breakfast in Hollywood.
10:15 WEW—Stan Kenton.
10:30 KSD—JACK BERCH SHOW.
KFUO—In the Woman's World. KMOX—Grand Slam. KWK—Bill Harrington. WEW—Industry and Progress. WIL—Homemaker's Treasure Chest. KXOK—Home Edition.
10:45 KSD—DAVID HARUM.
KFUO—Midmorning Serenade. KMOX—Rosemary. KWK—Richard Maxwell, Hymns You Love.
French Premiere. KXOK—William Lang.

11:00 A.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; WEATHER REPORT by Harry F. Wahlgren, Chief of the St. Louis Office U. S. Weather Bureau.
KFUO—The Open Bible. KMOX—Kate Smith Speaks. KWK—News. WEW—News; Home Serenade. WIL—Platter Parade. KXOK—Kenny Baker Show.
11:15 KSD—ART VAN DAMME QUINTET.
KFUO—News. KMOX—Aunt Jenny. KWK —World of Song.
11:30 KSD—RECORD REVIEW.
KFUO — Sacred Themes on a Solovox. KMOX—Romance of Helen Trent. KWK—Jackie Hill; Easy Listening. WEW—Just for Women. WIL—Spot News; Platter Parade. KXOK—Telephone Quiz.
11:45 KSD—MILT NERTH TRIO.
KFUO—Melody Lane; Vitamins for Health. KMOX—Our Gal Sunday. WEW—The Little Show; Markets. KXOK—Down Memory Lane.

12 NOON.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KFUO—Voice of the Harp. KWK—News. KMOX—News. WEW—News. WIL—Records. KXOK—Song and Dance Parade.
12:15 KSD — THE MORTON DOWNEY SHOW.
KFUO—Noonday Repose. KMOX—Ma Perkins. KWK — Folks From Shady Valley. WEW—Markets.
12:30 KSD—EASY ACES.
KMOX—Young Dr. Malone. KWK—Jackie Hill and Roughles. WIL—The Weather; News; Music. WEW—Noon Roundup. KXOK— Symphonic Melodies.
12:45 KSD — WHAT'S NEW IN THE STORES, WITH NANCY DIXON.
KFUO—Farm Front. KMOX—Big Sister. KWK—John J. Anthony. WIL—Records. KXOK—News.

1:00 P.M.
KSD—TODAY'S CHILDREN.
KFUO—Music Hour. KMOX—Second Mrs. Burton. KWK—Roy Shaffer and Gang. WEW—News; 770 Record Club. WIL—Melody Lane. KXOK—Song and Dance Parade.
1:15 KSD—WOMAN IN WHITE.
KMOX—Perry Mason.
1:30 KSD—MASQUERADE: Betty Crocker.
KMOX—Lone Journey. KWK—Queen for a Day. WEW—Markets. WIL—Neighborhood Program. KXOK—Bride and Groom.
1:45 KSD—LIGHT OF THE WORLD.
KMOX—Rose of My Dreams. WEW—Treasury Salute.

2:00 P.M.
KSD—LIFE CAN BE BEAUTIFUL.
KFUO—Save the Children. KMOX — Headline Highlights. KWK—Heart's Desire. WEW—News; Community Salute. WIL — Afternoon Ballroom. KXOK—Ladies Be Seated.
2:15 KSD—MA PERKINS.
KFUO — Musical Relaxation. KMOX — Linda's First Love.
2:30 KSD—PEPPER YOUNG'S FAMILY.
KFUO—News. KMOX—Hearts in Harmony. KWK—News. WEW — Popular Rhythm. WIL—News; Afternoon Ballroom. KXOK —Bing Crosby Sings.
2:45 KSD—RIGHT TO HAPPINESS.
KFUO — Music. KMOX — The Editor's Daughter. KWK—Records. WEW—Sacred Heart Program. KXOK—George Barnes' Octette.

3:00 P.M.
KSD—BACKSTAGE WIFE.
KFUO—Your New Home. KMOX—House Party. KWK — Records. WEW—News; Moments With the Masters. WIL—Afternoon Ballroom. KXOK—Musical Party Line.
3:15 KSD—STELLA DALLAS.
KFUO—Music. KMOX — House Party; News. KXOK—News; Party Line.
3:30 KSD—LORENZO JONES.
KFUO—Dental Society. KMOX—Surprise Party. KWK—Records. KXOK—Musical Party Line.
3:45 KSD—YOUNG WIDDER BROWN.
KFUO—Speech Choir of Concordia Seminary. WIL—Voice of the Army. KXOK—Party Line; News.

4:00 P.M.
KSD—WHEN A GIRL MARRIES.
KFUO—Song Shop. KMOX—Road of Life. WEW—Melody Roundup. WIL—Platter Parade. KWK—News; Records. KXOK—Song and Dance Parade.
4:15 KSD—PORTIA FACES LIFE.
KMOX—Records. WEW—Melody Roundup.
4:30 KSD—JUST PLAIN BILL.
KFUO—The Open Bible. KMOX—Housewives' Protective League. WEW—Muny and Sports. WIL—Platter Parade. KXOK—Tennessee Jed.
4:45 KSD—FRONT PAGE FARRELL.
KFUO—Sports and News; Housewives Protective League; Top Tunes. KWK—News. KXOK—Sky King.

5:00 P.M.
KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS; FRANK ESCHEN PREVIEWS THE SYMPHONY.
KFUO—Evening Meditation. KMOX—News. KWK—Buck Rogers. WIL—Homemakers' Treasure Chest. KXOK—Terry and the Pirates.
5:15 KSD—SERENADE TO AMERICA.
KWK—Superman. KMOX—Miccolis Sisters and the Ranchers. KXOK—Singing Sam.
5:30 KSD—ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS.
KMOX—Musical Derby. KWK—Captain Midnight. WIL—Sports Review. KXOK—License Quiz.
5:45 KSD—RUSS DAVID SHOW.
KMOX—Robert Trout, news. KWK—Tom Mix. WIL—Stars of Songland. KXOK—Sports Extra.

GUNS ARE HUSHED AS PILGRIMS WEND WAY TO BETHLEHEM

Procession From Jerusalem to Birthplace of Christ.

(Picture in Everyday Magazine.)

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 24 (UP)—Reverent bands of pilgrims wound in endless procession through the hills and olive groves of the Holy Land today to worship at the birthplace of Christ in Bethlehem.

The stutter of machine guns and the roar of exploding mines to which Palestinians have become accustomed were stilled on this day when the faithful paid tribute to the Prince of Peace born 1946 years ago.

Palestine was having a "green" Christmas. Today dawned murkily, but the sun broke through the clouds and shone brilliantly.

The Christmas ceremonies began just before noon. The first of the organized processions put out from the Jaffa gate of the old city of Jerusalem.

The procession was led by Msgr. Louis Barlassina, the Latin patriarch, along the narrow highway flanked by terraced hills and farmland, and up the gentle slope to the site of Rachel's tomb.

There it was met by the mayor of Bethlehem, Issa Effendi Bandak, and dignitaries of the district. After a brief pause they went on into the town of Bethlehem, where crow

My OPINION

By MARTHA CARR

Dear Martha Carr:

I HAVE been dating a girl of 16. I am 18. She is a very nice girl. She doesn't smoke or drink and she won't even let me put my arm around her. I respect her for this, of course, but it seems like the more she refuses to let me do these things the more I want to. What makes her this way? What do you think of a girl like this? We always have good times together except for this.

JUST BILL.

Letters intended for this column must be addressed to Martha Carr at the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Mrs. Carr will answer all questions of general interest, but of course cannot give advice on matters of a purely legal or medical nature. Those who do not care to have their letters published may inclose an addressed and stamped envelope for personal reply.

Your girl friend is not only well-behaved but she is also clever. The girl who allows familiarities doesn't retain her popularity very long, at any rate, not with the same boy. Word may spread around that she is "easy" and the boys flock around to find out, but that is the dubious kind of popularity the right kind of girl doesn't crave. You and this girl are congenial, you say you have good times together. Perhaps when she feels she knows you well enough she may kiss you good-night. Of course, if you can't wait for that how about under the mistletoe at Christmas time? Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope for my "What About the Petting Question?"

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IN ANSWER TO "Perplexed": I'll admit that it is not easy for two grown women to live under the same roof, and it takes a good deal for forbearance and understanding for mother and wife to get along in such close proximity. If both sincerely make every possible effort toward this it can be done. It would be difficult for you to find anywhere else to live with the housing situation as it is at present, so see if you can't manage to get along. You love your husband, that is the main thing, and this doubling up of the families won't last forever. Try to remember that it is natural that mother and son should be close. Think of all the years they had together before you came on the scene. Concede her some right to his affection and attention and refuse to be jealous, defer to her, ask her advice in small matters, and the bigger ones will work out for themselves. Be courteous at all times. She on her side should allow you young people more privacy, must realize that your letters, your personal affairs are your own to be shared or not as you desire. This doesn't mean you should shut her out. Let her share some of your joy. She must realize you are young. Of course you aren't perfect. She's much older, but not perfect either.

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IN ANSWER TO "Unsigned": It is very likely that you get embarrassed and feel self-conscious and that is why you don't speak to the boy when he speaks to you. Of course you should speak to him. To not do so is very rude. So let your sense of good manners overcome your shyness and call out a cheerful "Hi" next time you pass, and I am sure all will be forgiven.

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IN ANSWER TO "Anonymous": My "Masculine Popularity" leaflet will answer all those questions of yours. If you will send me a stamped, self-addressed envelope I'll mail it to you. I'll send along the "Sub-deb" leaflet too. Though it is written primarily for girls there are helpful hints in it for the boys also.

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IN ANSWER TO "Friendly Reader": I am sorry but I have no leaflets on dancing. I have the "Popularity Hints" leaflet you ask for however, also a "sub-deb" leaflet. I'll be glad to send them if you will mail me a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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IN ANSWER TO "A. B. C.": You would be far wiser to make friends through conventional channels and not through correspondence clubs that put strangers into correspondence with each other, object matrimony. Your church, the "Y," hobby groups and the like, are far safer meeting places.

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IN ANSWER TO "Buffalo Gal": The Public Library has books on old coins which will give you some idea of the value of your gold piece.

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IN ANSWER TO "Sandy": Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope for my "New Year's Eve Party" leaflet.

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IN ANSWER TO "N. F.": If you will send me a stamped, self-addressed envelope I'll mail you my "Reducing" and my Weight Chart leaflets.

Social Problems

By Emily Post

MRS. X asks two questions: (1) "Why don't you put the father of the bride in the receiving line at the wedding reception? Don't you think, since he is paying the bills, he might like to get a bit of glory out of it all? (2) What about the bridegroom's father—where is he?"

(1) If that is the bride's father's idea of "glory," by all means let him receive! Generally, he feels it his obligation to go about among the guests and see that no one is being neglected. (2) The bridegroom's father—not being in his own house—does what he pleases! He either receives with his wife who stands next to the bride's mother or else he joins the bride's father.

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DEAR MRS. POST: If no ash trays are provided, is it correct to put cigarette ashes in the coffee saucer while drinking coffee? In this case, is it correct to leave the butt in the saucer?

Answer: If it is a question of "have to," yes.

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DEAR MRS. POST: I know it is correct for a widow to use "Mrs. John Smith" instead of "Mrs. Mary Smith." My impulse and certainly my preference would be to address a letter to a widow the correct way But what should one do when the widow calls herself "Mrs. Mary"?

Answer: The bad taste of "Mrs." followed by a woman's Christian name applies only to social circumstances. In the professional world, when a woman has made her own name notable, it is often necessary that she be addressed "Mrs. Mary." In private life, however, best taste demands that she be called "Mrs. John" even though she is a widow. If she insists on "Mrs. Mary," you naturally have to comply—no matter what you think.

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DEAR MRS. POST: My husband's boss never has called on me. After living here about six months, I went away for a few weeks with the children. During my absence, Mrs. Boss invited my husband to dinner. What now am I supposed to do?

Answer: You can do nothing, but wait for her to make a friendly gesture to you.

Star of Hope Still Shines Over World

By Elsie Robinson

YOU think these days are savage and confused?

They were far worse than that, that night some 1900 years ago. War is not new. Upon that date all Palestine lay crushed beneath Rome's conquering heel. The ruthless politicians and traitorous high priests lashed all who challenged their maneuvers. Poor people toiled by day and night to pay their heavy taxes. Thousands were homeless and returning soldiers from a score of wars jammed the cobbled streets and filled the small inn rooms.

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SOUND LIKE today? It does. In all the length and breadth of Israel there was no hope or pride. Only the dying dream of that long promised King who was to come. The King who was to break their chains and set them free and make them rich again.

They spoke in secret as we speak in public of some far distant comfort and relief. Then dreams would pass and they would take the plow again or sit before the loom within their shabby homes or bend above a carpenter's rough bench.

Jammed streets in Bethlehem that night. No one of all who came to pay their taxes observed the bearded countryman who sought to house himself and his slim Lady who was great with child. There was no room, the keepers grunted. Perhaps within a cave somewhere—?

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AND SO AT LAST the country carpenter and the white, fainting girl found a place to rest, a crude stone cave wherein cattle ranged about a drowsy stable. A manger filled with hay. A place as poor as any slum today.

Yet in that place—against the bloody background of Rome's wars—the first white dream of peace was born . . . the first faint chance of justice, love and truth took form for man. While far above, a flaming beacon burned and angels sang a new and sacred song which was to change man's life forevermore. For though few knew it—Christ the Lord had come.

Perhaps you fear and doubt and hate this world today. Remember this: Love still moves gently down the roughest street, and peace comes softly in a million shabby caves. And that first star is lighting our world bond.

Your Stars

By Marion Drew

What to Expect Tomorrow.

General Tendencies—All Christmas week shows much attention given to long distance communication, sudden decisions and travel which comes as a surprise. There is still a little unwillingness to accept this new order, but it is one of those things which must be seen through before it can be put aside. Don't allow yourself to skip over unpleasant details in here—it will be just as easy to arrange your affairs according to the order in which they appear.

If It's Your Birthday—Something you may have thought to be settled seems to return to you in this coming year, perhaps for revision or for an opportunity to improve the old standing. Everyone born in this last week of December seems terrifically busy throughout the next 12 months, not hurt by it at all and probably accomplishing a good deal. Be sure to use your own judgment, not to accept the opinions of others upon your personal affairs and, while you are about it, refrain from giving advice to other people about the things they may think purely private, too.

Tomorrow's Watchword — "Christmas is coming, the geese are getting fat, please to put a penny in the old man's hat; If you haven't got a penny, a ha' penny will do; If you haven't got a ha' penny, God bless you"—this is one way of accepting any favors you may miss. Sometimes the people you expect to do things for you really are not able to meet the mark. Take this, not as ill will, but as a genuine lack; most people would be obliging and kindly if they could. A conviction that this is true acts as a lubricant in all your human relations.

WHAT TO EXPECT THURSDAY

Sun in Capricorn.

General Tendencies — After the first hours Thursday affairs ought to go along pretty well—try the evening for new acquaintances, plans for travel or other unfamiliar ideas. I am not so sure you will bring these to a conclusion right away, but it does not hurt you to have the plans all laid. It looks to me as if the evening or late afternoon would bring surprises, possibly some meeting with friends who might have forgotten for a while.

If It's Your Birthday — Your birthdate is one of the group which is very keen about new positions, a change of scene or other re-arrangements in the daily life. These may be delayed—don't take it too seriously if you cannot bring about all the readjustments you may have visioned previously. As for love affairs or marriages, you have a better year in 1948. Look the field over throughout 1947 and don't be in a hurry to decide. There are always more possibilities to be discovered when you put your mind on it.

Thursday's Watchword — Wise men have gone on record with some keen sayings on the subject of love. Some of them are not so bad, too—"It is against the nature of love not to be violent, and against the condition of violence to be constant," says one of the French writers, while an old English proverb says that a man has a choice of beginning love, but not ending it. After all, there are very few people who, when their love is over, do not grow a little red behind the ears when they think of the affection lavished upon their fancy of the moment.

Low-Down on Santa's Personality

'Loud Dresser . . . Never Enters House by Front Door . . . Very Ticklish Fellow'

By Sidney Skolsky

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 24.

SANTA CLAUS was born centuries ago and hasn't aged a day since his first birthday. He was using atomic power long before anyone knew about it.

When Santa was a boy there was no Santa Claus. Then a chimney was only an exit place for smoke, and a stocking was merely something to wear. Betty Grable fills her stocking all right every night of the year but one—Christmas Eve. Then even Betty Grable hangs up her stocking for Santa to fill.

Santa Claus is five feet seven inches tall, weighs 184 pounds, has blue eyes, rosy cheeks, a broad face and a round stomach. He never shaves and has a white beard and a white mustache.

He prefers winter to summer. In fact, he has never been seen during summer, spring or autumn. His favorite sport is tossing snowballs.

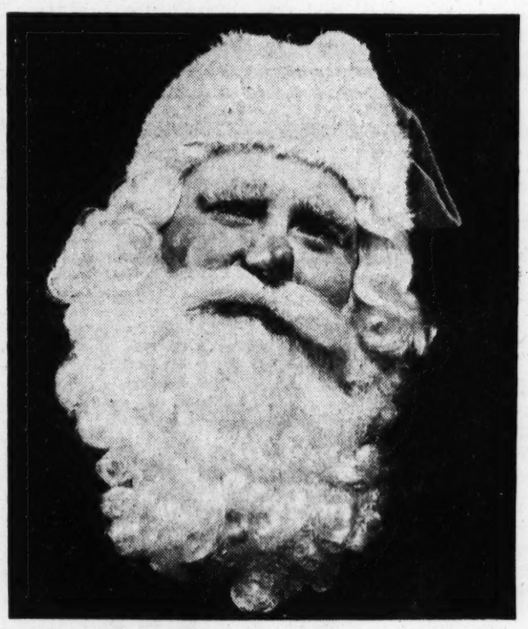
Santa is married and lives with his wife in a small wooden hut. The address is No. 1, North Pole. He's a smart fellow and never had any trouble with the housing problem.

He's the perfect husband and stays home every night in the year but one. When Santa goes out, he certainly makes the round. In fact, it's a big holiday when Santa goes out and calls for a celebration.

And he's no fool. He never takes his wife out with him.

He wife's name is Mary Christmas. An odd thing about Santa is that he never knows what to give his wife for Christmas.

When he first proposed marriage to her, she said, "But Santa, how can I marry you? You haven't a job. You do nothing but stay home all day and make toys and think of gifts to give to people. You give everything away."



OLD SANTA CLAUS HIMSELF . . . GETS MORE PUBLICITY THAN ANY MOVIE STAR.

Santa replied: "It is a joy to give. Great wealth only means trouble." He was, as usual, years ahead of his time. Along came income tax. He also managed to find a permanent site for the United Nations. He wishes they would be able to manage permanent peace.

Santa first visited America on Dec. 24, 1623. He came over with the Dutch settlers when New York was called New Amsterdam. Then Santa's name was Saint Nicholas. He is also called Kris Kringle.

He is the loudest dresser in the world. He always wears a red velvet suit trimmed with white fur. He wears shiny black boots. He wears a tasseled cap to match his coat. He has never worn a pair of shoes. And he doesn't wear a thing under that red suit.

He has many customs and habits. In this country, for example, Santa makes the child hang up his stockings. In Holland, the children must place their wooden shoes by the fireplace. In Norway he hides the gifts in the living room and makes the children hunt for them. He never forgets anyone.

He is very superstitious. He will never enter a house by the front door. He always uses the chimney. He always walks on his toes. He doesn't want to disturb people.

Although he never had a press agent, he gets more publicity than any movie star. He has never won an "Oscar," but he gives the best performance every year.

He has seen many changes. He has seen the horse come and go and now return. He has been given sales talks about the automobile and been promised the latest model, but he is glad that he didn't discard his sleigh and reindeer. He is the only person who admits that he takes himself for a sleigh ride.

He is ticklish and is a jolly fellow.

No one has ever been known to give Santa Claus a present. And he has this over any actor or actress—his popularity never lessens and he never has to change his act.

Santa Claus sleeps in a large double bed, and never has any trouble getting to sleep. He hasn't anything to disturb him. Generally, before retiring, he sings a Christmas carol. He sleeps in a flowing red flannel nightgown. His favorite colors are the Christmas colors, red and green.

There are many who don't believe in Santa Claus, but that doesn't bother him. The way the world has been going it is a wonder that Santa Claus still believes in people.

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How It Started

By Jean Newton

Why 'Pen'—and 'Pen-Knife'?

THE writing instrument of today is made of gold, silver bakelite, plastic, steel and other substances. But no matter what it is made of, it is called a "pen". And in the designation for this handy tool, there is preserved the term for the writing instrument used centuries ago, a term which throws interesting light on the progress made in this field of human inventiveness.

"Pen" derives from the Latin penna meaning "quill". In fact, before it meant a writing instrument, the English word "pen" meant not only a quill but "wing" as well!

When the barrel of the quill was pointed and split into two nibs at its lower end so as to form a tool for writing, this utilitarian aspect began to overshadow the original meaning of the word. Eventually "pen" came to connote a writing tool exclusively.

The use of the quill pen long antedated the first literal reference to it in English, which was in 1300. In 1474 we find mention of an individual who had "on his eere a penne to wryte with!"

A natural and necessary adjunct of the quill pen was the "penknife". Used today as an ornament or to idly whittle wood, its original purpose was to sharpen or reshape worn or broken "pens," that is, quills.

Coffee Spanish Cream

One and one-half cups milk, four tablespoons ground coffee, one teaspoon gelatin, two egg yolks, one-fourth cup sugar, one-fourth teaspoon salt, two egg whites, cream.

Scald milk with coffee and gelatin. Strain through cheesecloth onto egg yolks mixed with sugar and salt. Return to double boiler. Stir and cook until mixture coats the spoon. Beat egg whites stiff. Fold into first mixture and turn into mold and chill. Remove from mold and serve with cream.

Doctor on Treatment Of Chorea

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

FEVER is one of the body's natural defensive mechanisms against germs. Though a high fever does not actually kill germ invaders, it does, in some way not yet well understood, seem to prepare them for slaughter by other forces of the body.

This is the idea behind modern medicine's use of artificial fever in combating diseases which ordinarily do not stimulate the body to produce its own.

In chorea or St. Vitus' dance, for instance, the patient's temperature is usually elevated only by one or two degrees. However, according to Dr. Edward L. Bauer of Pennsylvania, if the temperature can be induced to rise to 104 degrees every day for eight days and kept there for two hours, a disease which lasts anywhere from six weeks to six months or longer can be cured within four days to three weeks. Since chorea is an ailment which affects children and often causes damage to the heart as it goes on, this is a great gain.

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ST. VITUS' DANCE is not difficult to diagnose. Facial grimaces or contortions, including squinting of the eyes, are commonly present. There are jerky, unco-ordinated movements of the arms and legs, there is some twitching of the tongue and frequently the child has trouble in talking. The heart rate is speeded up and there may be a heart murmur present. Usually there are some evidences of rheumatic fever, such as nose bleed, pain in the abdomen and pain in the joints.

In producing the curative fever, Dr. Bauer uses injections of typhoid vaccine into a vein. In carrying out the treatment, two hours after a light breakfast the patient is given an injection of morphine under the skin, the dose depending on the age and weight of the patient. One-half hour later an injection of the vaccine is given into a vein. The patient is then snugly wrapped in blankets; a specially trained nurse takes care of the patient and she takes the patient's temperature at 10-minute intervals.

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IN ORDER TO GET the best results, the temperature must be raised to 104 degrees Fahrenheit and be kept there for two hours. If the temperature tends to rise above 105 degrees Fahrenheit, the blankets are removed and the temperature allowed to come down. If it does not rise to 104 degrees, a second injection of the vaccine is employed. Daily treatments for eight days are the usual course. Dr. Bauer has treated 200 patients by this method and has found that improvement occurs after the third or fourth day and rapid relief of all the symptoms continues.

It would appear that, since this treatment may be carried out with little inconvenience or risk, there is nothing to lose and everything to gain in using it for the little victims of St. Vitus' dance.

Parched Rice With Tomato Sauce

Three-fourth cup rice, one teaspoon salt, two and one-half cups boiling water, two tablespoons butter or margarine, tomato sauce, one-fourth cup grated cheese.

Add rice and salt to boiling water. Cook over hot water until rice is tender and dry. Melt butter or margarine in frying pan. Add rice and cook until slightly browned, stirring with a fork. Pile in hot serving dish and pour tomato sauce over rice. Sprinkle with grated cheese.

To re-heat mashed potatoes, use a double boiler. Place the potatoes in the top of the utensil, cover them, and heat them over hot water.

Contract Bridge

By Ely Culbertson

THE declarer in today's deal was thoroughly disgusted with the "bad breaks" he encountered, but he was not aware that correct play would have brought home his slam contract despite these breaks.

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH: ♠ Q 10 8 ♥ J 10 ♦ 7 6 4 3 ♣ Q 5 3 2

WEST: ♠ 5 2 ♥ A 8 6 5 4 2 ♦ 9 ♣ 10 9 8 4

EAST: ♠ 6 3 ♥ K Q 9 7 3 ♦ J 10 8 5 ♣ K 7

SOUTH: ♠ A K J 9 7 4 ♥ — ♦ A K Q 2 ♣ A J 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2 spades	Pass	3 N. T.	Pass
3 spades	Pass	4 spades	Pass
5 diam.	Pass	6 spades	Pass
Pass	Pass		

North's last bid, a jump from five diamonds to six spades, was aggressive in view of his lack of high cards, but the fact remains that the final contract was the next thing to a laydown.

West decided to take the heart ace if he could, and laid down that card, but, of course, declarer ruffed. The ace and king of trumps were then cashed, and it might be pointed out that South did not complain over the 2-2 break. Overlooking this potentially favorable break, however, he had some very unkind things to say about his luck when the lead of two top diamonds disclosed East's stopper. He now decided that it would be necessary to throw his own losing diamond on a long club in dummy, and with that in view he cashed the club ace and led the jack. East won and returned the king of hearts. Declarer ruffed and led his club six to the queen. The non-break of this suit was the final straw and there was no way to avoid the loss of a diamond to East.

Declarer did not even get off on the right foot. After ruffing the heart, he should have cashed only the one top trump in his own hand, then led to a trump in dummy, and ruffed away dummy's other heart. Then, upon discovering the diamond break, his best chance was to continue with diamonds, throwing East in with the fourth round in hope that East also held the club king. Playing West for the club king involved the collateral hope that the club suit would also break 3-3, whereas the throw-in of East with a diamond would work if East had the club king, no matter how many times guarded.

When your fireplace is not in use, it can be dressed up with branches of evergreens and several giant-sized pine cones laid in the center of the hearth.

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Marshall's clean-shaven Santa Claus—that's his real name—annually receives and answers hundreds of letters from children in the holiday season.

In the past he used his own funds to buy stamps and stationery, although there were years when his salary as part-time minister and part-time plumber with seven children to support limited his Christmas activities. This season, however, the Chamber of Commerce furnished Mr. Claus the stamps and stationery.

Beef Corn Pudding

One and one-half pounds ground beef, one and one-half cups cooked corn, one and one-half cups soft bread crumbs, one egg, beaten, two teaspoons salt, one-eighth teaspoon freshly ground pepper, one-half cup catsup, one and one-half cups milk.

Combine meat, corn and bread crumbs and mix well. Add beaten egg and other ingredients. Pour into greased baking dish and bake, uncovered in moderate oven, 350 degrees, for one hour.

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TONIGHT
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TOMORROW—STARTS 2:00
Sunset CARSON, 'BANDITS OF THE BADLANDS!'
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TONIGHT and TOMORROW—TOMORROW STARTS 2:00
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TOMORROW—STARTS 2:00
Ginger ROGERS, Jean Pierre AUMONT, 'HEARTBEAT!'
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TONIGHT and TOMORROW—TOMORROW STARTS 2:00
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TONIGHT and TOMORROW—TOMORROW STARTS 2:00
James CAGNEY, 'CITY FOR CONQUEST!'
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TONIGHT
Jane WYATT, 'STRANGE CONQUEST!'
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VICTORY 5955 Easton
Tonight & Tomorrow—Tomorrow Starts 2—40c to 2 Tax Inc.
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WELLSTON 6226 Easton
TONIGHT
Bing CROSBY, 'HERE COME THE WAVES!'
Claudette COLBERT, 'PRACTICALLY YOURS!'
TOMORROW—STARTS 2:00
Robert YOUNG, 'THE SEARCHING WIND!'
Gail Russell, 'Our Hearts Were Growing Up!'

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THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF THESE THEATRES WISH ALL THEIR FRIENDS AND PATRONS 'A MERRY CHRISTMAS'

PLAN TO ATTEND THESE THEATRES TOMORROW, CHRISTMAS DAY

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BEVERLY 7740 Olive, Park Free — NO SHOW CHRISTMAS EVE!! TOMORROW — CHRISTMAS DAY. TOM DRAKE, DONNA REED, RUTH HUSSEY, JOHN CARROLL 'FAITHFUL IN MY FASHION' 'BEDSIDE MANNER' and CARTOON

GEM Theater, St. John's — NO SHOW CHRISTMAS EVE!! TOMORROW — CHRISTMAS DAY. JOHN CARROLL, RUTH HUSSEY 'BEDSIDE MANNER'; DONNA REED, TOM DRAKE 'FAITHFUL IN MY FASHION' & Cartoon

OVERLAND Woodson Rd. — NO SHOW CHRISTMAS EVE!! TOMORROW — CHRISTMAS DAY. JOHN HODIAK, NANCY GUILD 'SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT'; MAUREEN O'HARA, JOEL McCREA 'BUFFALO BILL' and CARTOON

OSAGE Kirkwood, Mo. — CLOSED: TO ALL OUR PATRONS A MERRY CHRISTMAS. OPEN XMAS DAY—FIRST SHOW 5:00. DANA ANDREWS, SUSAN HAYWARD 'CANYON PASSAGE.' In Technicolor; ELLA RAINES, ROD CAMERON 'THE RUNAROUND'

KIRKWOOD Kirkwood, Mo. — CLOSED TO GIVE THE EMPLOYEES A CHRISTMAS EVE HOLIDAY. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL. TOMORROW CHRISTMAS DAY CONTINUOUS FROM 2 P. M. ROBERT YOUNG, DOROTHY McGUIRE 'CLAUDIA AND DAVID'; JOHN HODIAK, NANCY GUILD 'SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT'

OZARK Webster Groves, Mo. Merry Christmas — CLOSED TONIGHT FOR CHRISTMAS EVE HOLIDAY. Tomorrow, Christmas Day, Opens 5:30—Start 6 P. M. BOB HOPE ★ JOAN CAULFIELD ★ PATRIC KNOWLES 'MONSIEUR BEAUCAIRE'; DON PORTER, LOIS COLLIER 'WILD BEAUTY'

CONGRESS 4023 Olive — CLOSED TUESDAY, XMAS EVE. Wednesday, Xmas Day, Doors Open 5:00, 1st Show 5:30. GINGER ROGERS, JOEL McCREA 'PRIMROSE PATH'; JOE E. BROWN 'POLO JOE'

Compton 3145 Park — Today and Tomorrow Matinee Christmas Day. Dead End Kids, 'IN FAST COMPANY' James Cagney, 'CITY FOR CONQUEST'

FAIRY 5640 Easton — Closed tonight so that our employees can spend Christmas Eve with their families. Tomorrow Christmas Day Special Matinee 1 P. M. 'CANYON PASSAGE' 'RUNAROUND'

HI-WAY 2705 N. Flor. — Today and Tomorrow Christmas Day. East Side Kids 'LIVE WIRES.' George Brent, Lucille Ball, 'LOVER COME BACK,' 'NEVADA,' Zane Grey's Western. Stooge Comedy, 'A BIRD IN THE HEAD.' Tomorrow Christmas Matinee 2 to 11 P. M.

KING BEE 1710 N. Jefferson — Closed Christmas Eve. Tomorrow Christmas Matinee 2 To 11. Alice Faye, 'The Gang's All Here' Hugh Beaumont, 'Murder Is My Business'

LYRIC CH. 9262, 6th near Pine — Today & Tomorrow Christmas. Larry Parks, 'Renegades' 'NOTORIOUS LONE WOLF'

Macklind 5415 Arsenal — Closed Today Only to Give Our Employees Christmas Eve with their families. Tomorrow Christmas Continuous Christmas Show 2 P. M. to 11 P. M. Danny Kaye, 'The Kid From Brooklyn.' Sunset Carson, 'Days of Buffalo Bill.' Cartoon

McNAIR 2869 McNair — Closed Christmas Eve. Tomorrow Christmas Day Continuous 2:30 P. M. 3 FEATURES, 6 UNIT SHOW. 'ROARING RANGERS.' 'THE FALCON'S ALIBI.' 'ONE EXCITING WEEK.' 2 CARTOONS AND SPEAKING ANIMALS. Admission 10c-25c Including Tax

PALM 3010 Union — Closed Tonight Christmas Eve. Tomorrow Christmas Matinee Open 1:30. Evelyn Keyes, Larry Parks, 'Renegades,' Color. Leslie Brooks, Jimmy Lloyd, 'It's Great to Be Young.' Cartoon and News.

Plymouth 1175 Hamilton — Closed Christmas Eve. Tomorrow Christmas. John Hodiak, 'SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT.' Joan Davis, Jack Oakie, 'SHE WROTE THE BOOK'

Princess 2841 Pestalozzi — Closed to give our Employees a holiday. Tomorrow Christmas Doors Open 2:00. J. Cagney, S. Sidney, 'Blood on the Sun' R. Hayworth, L. Bowman, 'Tonight and Every Night.' 3 Stooges and 4 Col. Crts.

RIVOLI Sixth near Olive — Today and Tomorrow Christmas. VAN JOHNSON 'THREE MEN IN WHITE' WILLIAM BENDIX 'THE HAIRY APE'

U. CITY 6324 Bartmer — Closed Christmas Eve. Tomorrow Christmas Day Doors Open 4 P.M., Show Starts 4:30 P.M. 'SMOKY' IN TECHNICOLOR. R. Harrison, C. Cummings, 'Blithe Spirit.' Cart.

Webster Hadley & Clinton — Today & Tomorrow Christmas Matinee 2 to 11. Joan Davis, Jack Oakie, 'SHE WROTE THE BOOK.' Iris ADRIAN 'I AM FROM ARKANSAS.' Comedy and News.

SHENANDOAH 2227 S. Broadway — Today and Tomorrow Christmas Day. KEENAN WYNN, FRANK MORGAN 'COCKEYED MIRACLE' James CRAIG, 'BOYS' RANCH' & Cartoon. Christmas Day Doors Open 12:00. Show Starts 12:30.

BRENTWOOD 2529 Brentwood — CLOSED CHRISTMAS EVE SO THAT OUR EMPLOYEES MAY SPEND CHRISTMAS EVE WITH THEIR FAMILIES. TOMORROW CHRISTMAS DAY MATINEE STARTS 2 P. M. JAMES CRAIG, "BUTCH" JENKINS 'BOYS' RANCH'; FRANK MORGAN, KEENAN WYNN 'The Cockeyed Miracle' & Car

LONGWOOD 9415 S. B'way — TODAY AND TOMORROW CHRISTMAS DAY. JOHN HODIAK, LLOYD NOLAN 'SOMEWHERE IN THE NIGHT' LIONEL BARRYMORE, Christmas Carols and Cartoon. Christmas Day Doors Open 1:00. Show Starts 1:30.

MARYLAND 1860 S. 13th — TODAY AND TOMORROW CHRISTMAS DAY. EDWARD G. ROBINSON, LORETTA YOUNG 'THE STRANGER' William ELLIOTT, 'IN OLD SACRAMENTO' and Cartoon. Christmas Day Doors Open at 12:30. Show Starts 1:00.

NEW MERRY WIDOW 17th & Chouteau — TODAY AND TOMORROW CHRISTMAS DAY. EVELYN KEYES, WILLARD PARKER 'RENEGADES' in Technicolor. LIONEL BARRYMORE, Christmas Carols and Cartoon. Christmas Day Doors Open 12:00. Show Starts 12:30.

PEERLESS 1915 S. Broadway — Christmas Eve—D. Kaye, V. Mayo, 'Kid From Brooklyn' (In Technicolor). Phil Terry, 'Dark Horse' and Cartoon. Tomorrow, Christmas—D. Andrews, B. Donlevy, 'Canyon Passage' (Technicolor). C. Morris, 'Boston Blackie's Rendezvous.' Cart. Christmas Day Doors Open at 12:30. Show Starts 1:00.

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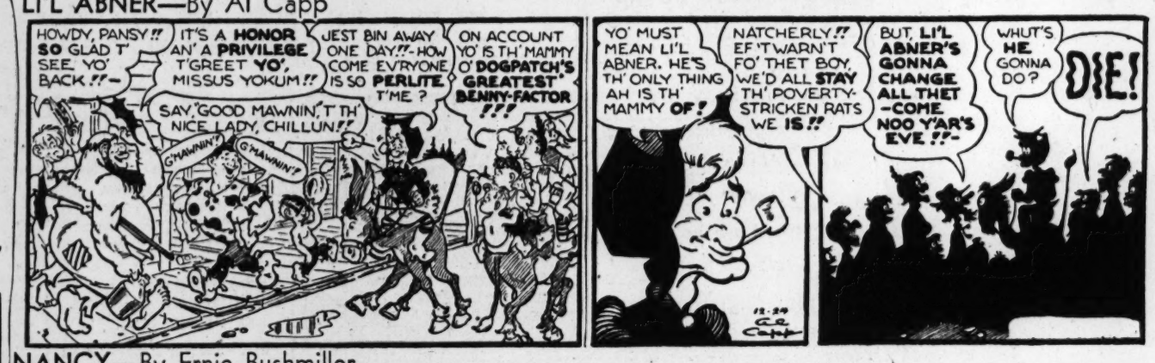

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